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Ewing Galloway

*On the Road to Jericho, Palestine*

IT WAS ON THIS ROAD to Jericho that Jesus set the scene for His parable of the good Samaritan to illustrate a great truth to the lawyer who had asked the question, "Who is my neighbor?"

A certain man traveling along this road fell among thieves, who robbed him and left him half dead. Later a priest and afterward a Levite came along but, seeing the man, they passed by on the other side of the road. Then a certain Samaritan came along, saw the man in his plight, bound up his wounds, took him to an inn and paid for his care. When the lawyer admitted that the one who had shown mercy — the Samaritan — was the real neighbor, Jesus counseled him to go and do likewise.



# A Covenant of Peace



**I**T IS NEXT TO IMPOSSIBLE to experience tranquillity and peace of mind and soul amid the whirl of activity in a great metropolis. The hustle and bustle of city life, with all of its business and social demands, are not conducive to the renewal of spiritual strength that comes only through times of quietness spent in meditation and prayer. The complaint of city dwellers is universally the same — there is no time!

Consider for a moment the contrast between such a life and the outlook as one stands upon the shore of a serene lake in the country. What a transformation! The beauty and tranquillity of nature in repose, the fragrance of forest, fields and flowers, the freshness of sparkling waters lapping at a sandy shoreline — all these have an emollient effect upon the heart and spirit of one who is beset and weary with the cares of life. Here it is possible to sit quietly and obey the Divine injunction: "Be still and know that I am God." Here one may contemplate the wonders of the Lord's splendid creative work, for "out of the ground made the Lord God to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight."

A study of crime reveals the gregarious nature of evil which tends to congregate in cities. Primarily it is the city that attracts evildoers, not the country. It is in our cities that we need the greatest protection from criminals, for where men must associate too closely together, the forces of evil find their opportunity to corrupt men's minds, lure them into wrongdoing and more readily escape the detection of their crimes.

In the city reverence for God soon fades in the hearts of seekers after pleasure. The result is that metropolitan centers of living often become an incubator which breeds discontent, causing men and women to forsake the ways of righteousness. It was when Lot turned toward the cities of the plain that he lost spiritual ground and his family succumbed to the evil influences of city life.

It is impossible for a nation to be at peace until righteousness is restored to its cities, for moral decline sets in and begets violence and crime which rob countless thousands of their possessions, while making widows and orphans of many. Also, the present wave of juvenile delinquency sweeping throughout our country is spawned in degenerating community life.

But God has said He will make a covenant of peace with His people and in that promise lies the hope of salvation even for our cities. In a message addressed to the governments of Israel, the Lord declares: "And I will multiply men upon you, all the house of Israel, even all of it; and the cities shall be inhabited, and the wastes shall be builded" (Ez. 36: 10). Further on it is stated: "Thus saith the Lord God; In the day that I shall have cleansed you from all your iniquities I will also cause you to dwell in the cities, and the wastes shall be builded" (Ez. 36: 33).

The Hebrew word translated both "inhabited" and "dwell" in these two similar declarations is *yashab* and is from a prime root meaning "to sit down" or "be still"; that is, to live in a settled state free from fear. This is not possible in our cities today and will not be characteristic of them until every evil influence is eradicated and our decadent society is spiritually revived. Yet this will come to pass when God establishes His covenant of peace with His people, for He has issued the unequivocal decree: "Moreover I will make a covenant of peace with them; it shall be an everlasting covenant with them: and I will place them, and multiply them, and will set my sanctuary in the midst of them for evermore. My tabernacle also shall be with them; yea, I will be their God, and they shall be my people" (Ez. 37: 26-27).

The results are graphically depicted: "And Peace will I make your government, and Righteousness your ruler. No more shall news of violence be heard in your land, nor of wreck and ruin within your borders. But you shall call your walls Salvation, and your gates Praise. . . . Your people shall be all of them righteous, and shall possess the land forever, as the shoot of my planting, the work of my hands, with which I may glorify myself. The least one shall become a tribe, the smallest a mighty nation — I the Lord will hasten it in its proper time" (Isa. 60: 17-22, *Smith & Goodspeed Trans.*).

The contrast between modern urban life and the peaceful scene by a beautiful lakeside is no greater than the contrast will be between the results of maladministration in our cities today and the perfection of righteous rule to come when the promised peace from God overflows our land.

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AS YOU READ DESTINY it will be helpful to bear in mind as a fundamental tenet that it identifies the Anglo-Saxon-Celtic and kindred peoples as the House of Israel in the world today. The key to understanding the national aspect of the Bible lies in the acceptance of this basic truth. That the ten-tribed Kingdom, or House, of Israel is distinct and separate from Jewry is a recognized fact. The *Jewish Chronicle* for May 2, 1879 stated, "The Scriptures speak of a future restoration of Israel, which is clearly to include both Judah and Ephraim. The problem, then, is reduced to its simplest form. Then ten tribes are certainly in existence. All that has to be done is to discover which people represent them."

The information published in DESTINY provides the evidence showing that Israel left Palestine while the Jews remained. The movements of the Israel clans are traced out of the East, across Europe to their new settlement in the Isles of Britain, and then on to America. The prophets foretold Israel's westward trek and the monuments and traditions record the divinely-guided wanderings of this people who left "waymarks" behind them as they journeyed toward their ultimate destination. Today the Anglo-Saxon-Celtic peoples alone bear all the marks by which the House of Israel was to be known in the latter days and they have unconsciously fulfilled in their history, and do fulfill in their present-day activities, what the Word of God declares would be accomplished by them in these latter times.

It is natural that, in the presentation of facts at first thought so startling, the immediate effect of proclaiming these new (yet not new) truths will bring opposition from some quarters where past beliefs are upset. But the evidence of racial movements throughout history, and the marks set forth by which the Israel of God was to be known in modern days, are so unmistakably clear that failure to seriously consider the evidence will jeopardize the future welfare of the Anglo-Saxon race. For if this people are the lineal descendants of the northern ten-tribed Kingdom of Israel — and they are — there has been placed upon them today a responsibility they cannot escape. The failure to awaken to the knowledge of their identity and assume their responsibility as the people with whom God made His unalterable covenant, and upon whom He laid His law, will bring upon them inevitable national suffering and trouble.

Were the opponents of the identity right, then there would, of course, be no such responsibility; but here again it is essential that the facts be made known. This DESTINY is doing. The people themselves constitute the court of

appeal and must render a decision as to whether the facts presented are correct or the objections raised are valid. It is also important to carefully consider that God Himself will pass final judgment in accordance with the verdict rendered by the people, bringing weal or woe upon the nations of Israel in days to come as the inevitable consequence of the course chosen and pursued.

Let those who are opposed to proclaiming the identity ponder well the fact that they too have a tremendous personal responsibility. When it is universally recognized that the Anglo-Saxon-Celtic peoples are modern Israel, opponents of this truth who have succeeded in leading many astray, and hindered to that extent the national awakening and return to God in whole-hearted acknowledgment of His sovereignty and obedience to His laws, will discover that He will not hold them guiltless.

God is not a man that He should lie and He gave His promise that Israel (He did not say Judah) would never cease to be a nation before Him. He gave the continuity of the heavenly signs as a guarantee of this fact (Jer. 31:35-36). The *Jewish Chronicle* says, "Find this people" and DESTINY points to the Anglo-Saxon-Celtic peoples in whose history the proph-

ecies of the Scriptures pertaining to the House of Israel are all being fulfilled today.

DESTINY is a magazine published by plain Americans who have seriously studied God's Word and have seen His hand in American and world history. We are not introducing a new religion; we are not a sect; rather, we are Christians who stand for the whole truth as taught by the Scriptures and for the application of that truth to the spiritual, cultural, economic and political life of man.

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## *The* MARCH of HISTORY

### *Solar Eclipse of June 30th*

ON JUNE 30, 1954 the moon will blot out the sun on a path starting at Holt County, Nebraska, U.S.A., at 5:07 A.M., Central Standard Time. It will finish in Pakistan at sunset, 7:24 P.M. Its path will continue through Nebraska, Iowa, South Dakota, Minnesota, Wisconsin and Michigan in the United States. It will cross Canada, Labrador and the southern tip of Greenland. It will miss Iceland but will cross the Faeroe Islands. Then it will sweep over Norway, Sweden and South Russia. Its path ends in Pakistan where, just beyond the Khyber Pass, the shadow leaves the earth and swings into space.

This eclipse of June 30, 1954 will be the last opportunity to witness a total eclipse over any substantial part of the United States during the Twentieth Century. It will take place two days after the 40th anniversary of the assassination of the Archduke Francis Ferdinand at Serajevo on June 28, 1914, the event which made World War I inevitable.

What event, or events, is the shadowy finger of the moon tracing out as it races over the surface of the earth at a speed that far exceeds that of the fastest rocket plane? Time must provide the answer. But this we do know, that with the close of the 40-year period from 1914, when peace was taken from the earth, we can expect an acceleration in the tempo of world developments as the nations move on toward the Battle of That Great Day of God Almighty.

Upon the great universal clock of Divine timing even the racing shadow of a solar eclipse is significant. Science today may accurately plot its course but has not yet comprehended its full import in relation to human history.

*Beginning of Travail* IN "When Ye Think Not," DESTINY for March 1954, it was pointed out that August 20, 1953 began a period of gestation. Then, in "Poised and Waiting," DESTINY for April 1954, it was stated:

"The chronological duration of gestation is 270 days, at the end of which travail should begin. This marks May 17, 1954 as the commencement of an extremely important period."

Travail denotes the beginning of a period of toil and agony, the labor of which increases until deliverance comes. It is the inevitable consequence of that which was earlier consummated. The Lord uses this type of suffering as analogous to the difficulties through which His people must pass as the age closes and just prior to the birth of the new order. The question to ask is this: Did May 17, 1954 produce events giving evidence that we were then entering upon such a period that would indeed be a time of travail?

A most disquieting announcement was made by the United States Department of State on May 17, 1954, that an important shipment of arms from the Polish-held port of Stettin had been landed on May 15th at Puerto Barrios, a Guatemalan port on the Caribbean Sea. The State Department said it viewed the matter with "gravity" because of the quantity, origin, point of embarkation and destination of the arms. This shipment of arms from Poland to Guatemala constitutes a definite threat to Western Hemisphere security as Soviet Russia is using Guatemala for the establishment of a bridgehead on this continent.

On May 17th the Supreme Court of the United States ruled segregation in public schools anywhere in the nation as unconstitutional. This opinion directly affects the public school system in seventeen states. The decision is fraught with grave possibilities which those who favor or oppose it are unable at the present to fully comprehend. It will materially contribute in coming days to the increase of the pain of travail in this nation and its timing is extremely significant.

It was on May 17th that President Eisenhower issued his directive that caused the Senate hearings on the McCarthy-Army dispute to temporarily recess. Under Presidential directive, Army Counselor John G. Adams was ordered not to testify about a "high level" meeting held on January 21st under White House supervision. Thus, the President revealed to what extent the Executive would go to prevent facts from being made public if detrimental to the Administration. This also will produce grave repercussions in the days ahead and may have an important bearing upon the political fortunes of those involved, if not upon the party in power.



Turning to the international situation, the Geneva Conference held secret sessions May 17-19 on peace proposals for Indo-China, but the Reds refused to agree, thus setting the pattern of failure for this conference and establishing beyond question the futility of ever trying to reach agreements with the Communists in the future.

In "Red Desolation" by Mr. W. O. Lay, Jr. (this issue), the chronological importance of May 17, 1954 in the present developing period of travail is shown. We can say with certainty that May 17th witnessed a change in the tempo of developments, both domestic and international, that testify to the beginning of a period of increased tensions and sorrow. It is quite likely that before the fall of 1954 this appraisal of the meaning of what is now transpiring will become fully known to all. We are rapidly approaching the time when the breaking point will be reached, with the result that the world will be precipitated into a time of trouble which, according to Daniel 12: 1, will be "such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time."

### Perfection In Timing

IN DESTINY for July 1954 (page 221) reference was made to the new star that suddenly appeared, brilliantly shining in the Constellation of *Virgo*. It is known as an "exploding star" or "supernova." The California Institute of Technology states that the eruption producing such a supernova is "so violent that by comparison an H-bomb is as mild as a falling feather."

Spectrographic studies with the 200-inch Hale telescope indicated that the explosion itself occurred some 20,000,000 years ago and that it has taken that number of years for the light to reach the earth and appear as a supernova in the sign of *Virgo*.

This star is located in a vast swirling mass of stars known as Spiral Galaxy NGC 5668. Observation of this galaxy indicates that it is receding from the earth at the rate of about 1000 miles a second.

The appearance of this supernova in *Virgo* in the year 1954 reveals the Divine timing of a stellar explosion which took place millions of years prior to its light being sighted for the first time by the inhabitants of the earth. It is a stupendous accomplishment beyond human capacity to calculate, involving, as it does, the foreknowledge of God. In His infinite wisdom, God, who sees the end from the beginning, has so set the mechanism of the universe in motion that the light of an exploding star has flared in the heavens in accordance with the timing of events upon the earth to signal their importance.

The outstanding example was, of course, the appearing of the star of Bethlehem in the Constellation of *Coma* (which accompanies *Virgo*), heralding the birth of the Son of God. Not only was the timing perfect, but the place of appearing was also important, for it was in the very constellation in the heavens relating to the event concerning which the star was to be the signal.

Now, nearly two thousand years after the star of Bethlehem betokened the imminence of the birth of the Saviour, a supernova bursts suddenly into view in the sign of *Virgo*. The editorial previously referred to ("A New Star," DESTINY for July 1954, p. 221) provides information suggesting its significance. Added to this is the marvel of its perfect timing to appear in the year 1954.

**A Generation Ending** IN HIS OLIVET discourse Jesus referred to the generation that would see the beginning of events which He predicted would precede His return:

"This generation shall not pass, till all these things be fulfilled." (Matt. 24: 34.)

The context clearly shows that the generation living when peace would be taken from the earth, and that would see the "fig tree" putting forth branches, would be the generation that would continue until all Jesus had been telling His disciples would come to pass, including His second advent. The "fig tree" is the emblem of Jewry which, by its national aspirations, has fulfilled the requirements of the "fig tree" putting forth its branches. Jesus also said:

"And Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled." (Luke 21: 24.)

The end of that treading down began to come to pass with the liberation of the city from the Turks on December 9, 1917. As pointed out in *Study in Revelation* (page 95), the year 1917 was 1335 lunar years from Mohammed's flight, the date of the beginning of the Hegira (622 A.D.). The solar terminal of 1335 years from 622 A.D. is 1957 A.D. Between the two dates (1917-1957) is a forty-year period, i.e., a generation.

Thus, we have two important generation periods of 40 years each. One began with the time peace was taken from the earth in 1914 and the other when Jerusalem was liberated in 1917. The first will end in the summer of 1954 and the second in the fall of 1957. Between the beginning and ending of each of these two generation periods is an interval of 1260 days.

World War I was made inevitable by the assassination of Archduke Ferdinand at Serajevo on June 28, 1914 and 40 years later brings us to June 28, 1954. This issue of DESTINY will be in the hands of its readers a few days after this latter date. We are now entering the most important period in the history of this generation — the 1260 days from June 28, 1954 to December 9, 1957.

Because of the nature of this terminal period of 1260 days, it would be worthwhile for DESTINY readers to study the timetable of events preceding and following the inception of World War I, for significant developments should highlight the 40-year terminals. Following are some of the dates of happenings that transpired during the summer and fall of 1914:

- June 28, 1914; Archduke Francis Ferdinand assassinated.
- July 28, 1914; Austria declared War on Serbia.
- July 31, 1914; France affirmed to Great Britain that Belgium neutrality would be respected.
- August 1, 1914; Germany declared a state of war existed between herself and Russia who had mobilized her troops on the Austrian frontiers.
- August 4, 1914; Great Britain protested German violation of Belgium neutrality.
- August 4-5, 1914; At midnight Britain's ultimatum to Germany expired and war had begun for the British Empire.
- August 23, 1914; Japan declared war on Germany.
- October 29, 1914; a German warship bombarded a Russian Black Sea port.
- November 5, 1914; France and England declared war on Turkey.

These are but a few of the mileposts along the highway of World War I. Others can be found by consulting a good history of that conflict. The datings of diplomatic moves of importance will also be found to have significant meanings in the application of the forty-year terminal from their inception.

### *America's Back Yard*

THERE WOULD BE NO threat to world peace today but for the program of the tyrants in the Kremlin who are planning world conquest and the enslavement of all free peoples. These leaders are masterminding world chaos, for it is through violence that they hope to gain their objectives.

Guatemala has come under Communist control, not because the Communists outnumbered the non-Communists there, but because the Communists were strategically entrenched in key positions where they could control the government and the administrative machinery of state. Thus, just a few well-placed Communists in the midst of a free people are a menace to liberty and freedom. In his radio broadcast of June 4, 1954, Paul Harvey brought out this fact quite clearly when he reported on the Guatemala situation as follows:

"The two biggest Communist-dominated unions in Guatemala are banding together, rallying their members to organize vigilante groups for what they call defense of the national sovereignty. That means against us. The Red-led General Confederation of Workers, the National Confederation of Farmers, are sponsoring rallies seeking to stir up support from among the non-Communist populace. Under the surface there is talk of a rural people's militia, an ex officio army. . . .

"There are in Guatemala right now 450 Communists and that is all — 450 hard-core Communists for three million people. There are twenty-five thousand Communists in the United States; John Edgar Hoover says there are twenty-five thousand amidst our 160 million people. So the ratio is the same. Proportionally there are as many Communists in the United States tonight as there are in Guatemala. In Guatemala the Communists control the labor unions, the political parties and the army. The Communists control the executive, the legislative and the judicial branches of that government, so it doesn't take many. The same proportion there and here — the only difference being that here they are not in control — yet!"

It is sheer folly to overlook the fact that the Communists within our nation have been working for years to secure a similar foothold in government here with the purpose of gaining control. If they should succeed in their plans, they could take over our nation on a given signal from Moscow. One does not need to be at all surprised because of the opposition to Senator Joseph McCarthy, for he has seriously interfered with their plans.

No thanks are due to the Executive Branch of our government for any outstanding efforts toward the prevention of further infiltration by the enemies of our Constitution. The awareness of Communist activities within is largely due to the investigations by Congressional committees, which have definitely thwarted many Reds, leftists and fellow travelers from carrying out their designs.

It is fortunate, as Paul Harvey pointed out, that they are not yet in full power in the United States. But if Congress relaxes its vigilance for a moment, they will penetrate every weak spot and continue their boring within. Should they succeed in acquiring total control of vital positions

in government, the signal would most certainly be promptly given that would bring about a take-over on the pattern of that in Guatemala.

### *Important Archaeological Discovery*

SOLAR BOATS 5,000 years old have just recently been discovered

in a funeral chamber sealed by the Pharaoh Cheops nearly 5,000 years ago. A row of blocks running parallel to the south face of the Great Pyramid, at a distance of 25 yards, has been found to cover this chamber. A projection of limestone bedrock bisects the row of lintel blocks precisely at the north-south axis of the Great Pyramid.

Solar boats were equal in importance to the tombs of the Pharaohs themselves. The ritual associated with them remained constant in spite of the many other changes which have occurred throughout the ages in the burial ceremonies of the ancient Egyptian kings.

Great pains were taken to preserve these boats, which were believed to be absolutely necessary in joining the caravan of the immortals who gathered round the sun-god Ra to journey with him in his daily cycle of birth, death and rebirth.

Kamal el-Malakh, the Egyptologist who made the discovery, states that it will take six months to two years to complete the physical examination and restoration of the solar barks and that research toward an historical reconstruction of Cheop's period probably will go on for many years.

Other interesting archaeological discoveries are coming to light in Egypt and time will be required to properly evaluate all the factors which must be taken into consideration. In due course further information will be given concerning these significant finds.

### *Drifting With the Tide*

SIR WINSTON Churchill stated on May 17, 1954, that Great Britain would not commit itself on a South-east Asia defense alliance and would avoid military intervention in Indo-China until after the Geneva Conference. The Prime Minister told the House of Commons:

"Our immediate task is to do everything we can to reach an agreed settlement to restore peace there."

Coming, as this statement did, on the date that marked the beginning of the time of travail for the people of God, the position taken by the Prime Minister of Great Britain signals increased trouble for the West. Great Britain made it clear to the Kremlin that so long as the Geneva Conference continued, they did not need to fear a Southeast-Asian alliance against them insofar as the British Empire was concerned. It was the Marquess of Salisbury who urged Sir Winston to set a time limit on talking to the Communists at Geneva, after which Britain would be free to proceed with united action against them. The failure on the part of the Prime Minister to heed Salisbury's advice, according to *Time Magazine* for May 31, 1954, "brought Britain to one of the most unstable positions in its diplomatic history."

Added to this was the blunder by Mr. Attlee and Mr. Bevan in accepting at such a time an invitation to visit Red China. This was described in *The Weekly Review*

(London, England) of June 4, 1954, as most inopportune, coming in the midst of the Geneva Conference. It did irreparable damage to Mr. Eden's diplomacy.

The diplomatic position of France at Geneva could not have been more futile in the face of her toppling government at home. Under her present system of politics, France is always maneuvered into the position of being at her very weakest governmentally when a time of extreme crisis comes. Until this situation changes, the nation of France is no more than a link of rotten string in the chain of Western defense.

Meanwhile, it was unfortunately impossible to discover, in the position of the United States at Geneva, any indication of genuinely forthright action. A foreign policy that seeks to cloak its deliberate course of action behind the scenes by vacillating between one announced position and then another, in the attempt to appease public opinion, can offer nothing to relieve the hopelessness of the international scene.

The Communist delegations alone benefited at Geneva. The conference assisted them well in pursuing their delaying tactics while gaining military victories in Southeast Asia and the propaganda advantages were immense. Once more they gave a faultless demonstration of the fact that every conference held with them, and every agreement to which they consent, will be used only as stepping stones in furthering their program which has world conquest as its goal. Once again they have proved the truth of the observation that International Communism always acts according to plan and not according to either persuasion or coercion.

Thus, Geneva is but another marker, perhaps the final one, measuring the distance in the stream of drift toward international chaos. In days to come the pen of history may write of Geneva as a memorial to the complete bankruptcy of international diplomacy.

**A Lying Spirit** AT THEIR RECENT annual meeting the Unitarian Ministers' Association unanimously adopted a resolution opposing a constitutional amendment that would acknowledge "the authority and law of Jesus Christ." Also adopted was a resolution against the use of the slogan "In God we trust" on stamps and coins on the grounds that it would be using them for "religious propaganda." To complete their opposition to Jesus Christ, as God the Son, and to the national announcement on stamps and coins that as a nation we trust in God, these Unitarian ministers went on record as against inserting in the Pledge of Allegiance the words, "under God." However, the appreciation of all Christians in the nation is extended to Senator Ferguson of Michigan for his work in sponsoring the amendment to the national Oath of Allegiance, which now reads as follows:

"I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

But what can one expect from those who deny the Deity of Jesus Christ and refuse to accept the Bible as the inspired Word of God? If, as a nation, we cannot declare our trust in God, in whom can we place our trust to save us from annihilation in this age of threatened atomic destruction? Except for Divine intervention in behalf of God's people,

all flesh will perish from the face of the earth. We are aware that these Unitarian ministers do not believe the words of the prophets, nor do they take into consideration the certainty of coming destruction unless God does intervene to protect the people who are called by His name. But their day of awakening will come, just as it came for the false prophets with a lying spirit in their mouths in the days of Micaiah, who said to them:

"Behold, thou shalt see in that day, when thou shalt go into an inner chamber to hide thyself." (I Kings 22: 25.)

In the hour of their terror will God accept the frantic appeals of those who refused to publicly acknowledge in a time of tranquillity that He alone can save them from disaster? Solomon, renowned for his great wisdom, had something to say about those who refuse to heed words of wisdom or acknowledge the overruling sovereignty of the Lord, our God, accept His words and keep His laws:

"When your fear cometh as desolation, and your destruction cometh as a whirlwind; when distress and anguish cometh upon you. Then shall they call upon me, but I will not answer; they shall seek me early, but they shall not find me: For that they hated knowledge, and did not choose the fear of the Lord: They would none of my counsel: they despised all my reproof. Therefore shall they eat of the fruit of their own way, and be filled with their own devices. For the turning away of the simple shall slay them, and the prosperity of fools shall destroy them. But whoso hearkeneth unto me shall dwell safely, and shall be quiet from fear of evil." (Prov. 1: 27-33.)

These faithless ministers express apprehension that the slogan, "In God we trust," will be used for religious propaganda purposes. Now "religious" means, in the Christian sense, "devotion to godliness," while to engage in "propaganda" is "to propagate or spread a doctrine." Just what would be so objectionable if every American citizen, in his devotion to godliness, spread abroad the knowledge that it is in God that our nation is putting its trust? Would to God every American would in every possible way acknowledge that it is in God and in Jesus Christ that we may, individually and as a nation, place our complete trust and that only through Divine might and power can we be assured of salvation from the fate our enemies are preparing for us.

**No Neutrals** ACCORDING to a report published in *The New York Times* for Monday, May 31, 1954, there is widespread belief in Britain that the nation can remain neutral in the coming world-wide struggle. The account states:

"The idea that the United States and the Soviet Union are two equally malignant colossi, whose quarrels Britain can avoid, has been spread by leaders of the left-wing of the Labor Party in speeches, newspaper articles and pamphlets for the last two years. As a result, many thousands of working-class folk honestly believe that Britain, long a citadel of freedom, can remain neutral in the contest, between the free world and totalitarianism."

This misrepresentation of United States' intentions to the extent of labeling the nation as "malignant" — that is, eager for war and equally aggressive because of its opposition to Soviet Russian endeavors to infiltrate its government — shows a complete lack of awareness of Kremlin tactics as carried on in foreign lands. The United States



is awakening to the sinister designs of the Communists and it is preposterous for left-wing laborites to consider our resistance to the evil scheming of the Kremlin as a malignance not unlike the Russian brand of virulence.

This is an indication of the blindness of laborite leaders to the Communist menace and the tactics employed by the Kremlin to attain their goal of world domination through the infiltration and destruction of existing free governments. The disquieting aspect of it all is that the very ones who are so concerned because the United States shows signs of recognizing the true nature of Soviet intentions are themselves dupes of Kremlin propaganda.

So long as Soviet agents work to undermine the American form of government, and threaten to disrupt our way of life, the failure to become alert and be ready for any emergency will be tantamount to committing national suicide. When war comes — and it will come when the Kremlin elects to strike — there will be no neutrals. The men in the Kremlin will see to it that no Anglo-Saxon nation will be immune from involvement. It is the height of folly for any country calling itself Christian to assume it can remain aloof from this conflict. Those who advocate that this can be done are attempting to live in a fool's paradise.

What many do not take into consideration at the present time is the fact that Great Britain is particularly subject to attack because, in the final phase of this conflict, the Throne of David is to be involved. That throne is now located in the British Isles (see "Dominion Over the Earth," *DESTINY* for July 1954, pp. 245-249). Even while the disbelieving left-wing element of Labor is unaware of this fact, their ignorance will in no way change the inevitable course of events, one aspect of which is the enemy's design to accomplish the destruction of their throne.

It was the Amalekites whom Moses accused of attacking the Throne of the Lord when they came out against Israel as the people moved through the wilderness on their journey toward Mount Sinai:

"Because the hand of Amalek is against the throne of the Lord, therefore, the Lord hath sworn that the Lord will have war with Amalek from generation to generation." (Ex. 17: 16, *Marginal Rendering*.)

Commenting upon this wording of the original Hebrew text, Mr. J. Bernard Nicklin directs attention to what is stated in *The Speaker's Commentary*:

"As the Hebrew text now stands, the literal interpretation is 'for hand on throne of Jah,' which may mean, as our margin and as Clericus and Rosemuller explain it, 'because his hand [i.e., the hand of Amalek] is against the throne of God, therefore the Lord hath war with Amalek from generation to generation.'" (Vol. I, p. 324; published 1877.)

It is well known to those who are aware of the identity of the leadership of Soviet Russia today that descendants of Amalek are in power in the Kremlin, planning the moves they hope will bring about the annihilation of all who oppose them in their program for world domination. This goal cannot be attained apart from the destruction of the Throne of David in Great Britain. Thus there may be an attempt to make it appear that it is the United States alone against whom the enemy is planning to move and in doing so lull to sleep those who surround the throne.

Soviet Russia has declared war against God, against righteousness and against all human rights. When the Kremlin moves in its final bid for world supremacy, the Battle of That Great Day of God Almighty will have begun. The initial phases of conflict are already under way and each nation is making its choice as to whether it will be aligned on the side of justice and right or on the side of tyranny. It is as mandatory to prevent tyrants at the head of nations from enslaving free peoples as it is to prevent criminals in the underworld from dominating society. Because this is so, the Lord has declared of His people:

"Thou art my battle axe and weapons of war: for with thee will I break in pieces the nations, and with thee will I destroy kingdoms; And with thee will I break in pieces the horse and his rider; and with thee will I break in pieces the chariot and his rider." (Jer. 51: 20-21.)

Can a nation called for this purpose shirk this responsibility? Through Ezekiel God declares He is against Soviet Russia (Gog, the chief prince of Meshech, or Moscow) and the great confederacy which is under the leadership of the Kremlin. If we are on God's side, then we must be against His enemies, and He has made clear what His attitude is toward these evil aggressors in unmistakable terms.

The left-wing laborites of Great Britain and all those in the United States who are against the involvement of the Anglo-Saxon-Celtic peoples in this great conflict of the ages are doing a disservice to their nation. Either we are for God and against His enemies or we are giving aid and comfort to those enemies and we are, as a consequence, against God. There can be no middle ground, or neutrality, so long as evil men and nations make war upon God and fight against the establishment of righteousness upon the earth.

Meantime, Soviet propaganda is succeeding in creating an anti-American attitude in Great Britain and an anti-British attitude in the United States, hoping to divide the two great Anglo-Saxon-Celtic peoples, whom they may then conquer separately. There never was a time in history when it was so essential that a united Anglo-Saxon world face a common foe with a determination to compel the enemy to cease his warlike aggression or be destroyed. The very things those who are urging neutrality hope to escape will most certainly come to pass upon them if they refuse to accept the Divine duty to oppose unrighteousness wherever it may be found.

One wonders if the attitude of the left-wing laborites in Great Britain may not explain the meaning of the statement:

"And I will send a fire on Magog, and among them that dwell carelessly in the isles: and they shall know that I am the Lord." (Ez. 39: 6.)

*Dwelling carelessly* suggests indifference; the wish to live in a false sense of security. Is the fire referred to here the fire of atomic or hydrogen bombs? Moffatt translates the purpose of this judgment to be, "to teach them that I am the Eternal." It is certain that the left-wing labor leaders need to be taught such a lesson and, from Ezekiel's prophecy, it is apparently going to take drastic action to accomplish this. Peace cannot be purchased at the price of appeasement, nor neutrality maintained through the refusal to oppose unrighteousness.

## Sabotaging Korean Defenses

WHILE THE propaganda persists that attempts to assert Communist infiltration is not a serious problem in our nation, the following disquieting report shows to what extent the United States Department of State is still under subversive control when gasoline can be withheld from Syngman Rhee in Korea on orders from that department:

"Reds in the State Department have managed to shut off gasoline shipments for Syngman Rhee, thus leaving the Republic of Korea at the mercy of the Communist armies, who already occupy half of Korea, thanks to Eisenhower's refusal to accept a sure victory there.

"Senator William Jenner, fast rising as a leader of presidential calibre, revealed this treachery in a speech on the Senate floor April 20. It was the second speech he had delivered in that sometime august assembly in two months (the earlier one, February 23, being one of the historic speeches of the Senate, revealing the United Nations trap in which we already are caught).

"Though, like McCarthy, Jenner tried to give Eisenhower an out by saying he was badly advised, the speech — if you analyze it — actually constitutes an indictment of the President for treason. Jenner said in part:

"The war in Indo-China is a war against the Chinese before it is a war against us.

"If Indo-China falls, then Formosa is outflanked. The Chinese Republic will be lost.

"The Free Chinese are ready to send their men at once to counterattack Red China. They will be fighting for their parents, for their children, for love of country, for a great civilization now being destroyed by barbarians.

"To keep the patriotic Chinese immobilized when they are begging to strike with all their power against the invaders of their homeland, and the murderers of their parents and brothers, is the height of cruelty.

"We must not permit a single American to be engaged in fighting on the continent of Asia until the Free Chinese are given everything they need with which to do the job they are pleading to do.

"Today the Acheson holdovers in our State Department are also able, through devious channels, to keep Syngman Rhee from getting reserves of gasoline with which to fly his planes and keep his tanks moving.

"They need control only of one little thing, such as gasoline. They give him everything else and call it military aid. I call it political sabotage of our military aid by the dead hand of the Acheson regime.

"If the Free Koreans were given full military equipment, free of Achesonian political controls, their 600,000 men could pin down a Red Chinese Army of 600,000 men without a war.

"Chinese reinforcements moving toward Indo-China would have to turn back and sit waiting in Manchuria, never certain when the Korean forces might spring. . . . A million and a half free Asians could start to pin down a million and a half Red Chinese in the north, at the center and in the south. How quickly the pressure on Vietnam would be lifted." (From *Williams Intelligence Summary* for June 1954.)\*

In spite of all that has been said and done, Red sympathizers in important positions in government are still able to assist the Kremlin. Evidently the sabotage of the fuel supply for Syngman Rhee is for the purpose of reducing the efficiency of the South Korean army if and when the Reds elect to open their offensive in Korea again.

\*\$3.00 a year. Order direct from *Williams Intelligence Summary*, P. O. Box 868, Santa Ana, California.

It is quite apparent that the Executive branch of our government has done very little about clearing out Communists, as promised in pre-election speeches in the 1952 national election campaign. Those patriotic national leaders who are fighting to rid vital departments of government of Red agents and Red sympathizers are now encountering more opposition than ever before.

## While the Communists Prepare

THE DIFFERENCES which brought on the Army versus McCarthy hearings could have been quietly settled behind closed doors had there been a will on the part of the Administration to do so. Actually there was no need at all to stage a setting for the unfavorable publicity that followed, which was evidently planned with the object in view of "getting" Senator Joseph McCarthy. This is the opinion of competent observers on the scene as well as the impression one has gained in watching the proceedings and by listening to the testimony.

An important White House conference was held on January 21, 1954, where it was decided to prepare the army case against the Senator. It is the proceedings of this meeting that President Eisenhower, by Executive order, refused to allow to be given in testimony at the hearing. Justice would require that, if Senator McCarthy and his staff were to be required to testify in full, then those who planned proceedings against him should be required to do the same. The Executive order of the President prevented this.

Why was that order issued? Is there something that took place that would, if the facts were made known, throw such light on the entire procedure as to embarrass the present Administration? The possibility that this may be the case is suggested by a statement involving Governor Dewey of New York in the controversy between the Army and the Senator, as quoted over the radio by Walter Winchell, May 30, 1954, who said:

"On May the 12th, at a very private luncheon, Governor Dewey of New York said he selected lawyer Welch for the army and that he had masterminded the now famous Presidential directive which came soon after."

Meantime, Communists in government and elsewhere have no doubt been well pleased with the protracted hearings, which have kept the Senator and his committee from carrying on investigations that might have involved them and exposed their treason. Left-wing commentators and columnists made material contributions in helping to stir up animosity between the army and Senator McCarthy's Committee — especially between Senator McCarthy and Secretary Stevens — prior to the calling of the investigation. Knowingly or unknowingly they were working in the interests of subversives in our government and they have had a veritable heyday during the investigative proceedings, giving a slant to the news which has been a flagrant violation of all the rules of factual reporting.

They claim to be fighting "McCarthyism," but there is no such thing except in the minds of those who fear an honest investigation of Communism in government by the McCarthy Committee. Actually, "McCarthyism" is an undefinable term which is no more than a smear label coined and used by subversives. However, it has a certain

boomerang quality, for instead of indicting the person it is used against, it puts a label upon the person who employs it.

The real reason there is such a desire to silence Senator Joseph McCarthy is nowhere better presented than in the statements contained in his speech made in Milwaukee at the dinner commemorating the 100th anniversary of the Republican Party. Adlai Stevenson, candidate for president on the Democratic ticket in the 1952 national election, attacked Senator McCarthy in an address given over a national radio and television hookup. Senator McCarthy was unable to secure the right to answer Stevenson over the same radio and television networks. However, the Senator's answer was given in an address titled: "Twenty Years of Treason." His indictment of a leadership that has brought our country to the present impasse perhaps explains better than anything else why powerful forces behind the scenes are seeking to destroy the man who is so ready to expose treasonable acts within the government. Following quotations from Communist literature showing that the attacks made upon him were inspired from subversive sources, or at least were in line with Communist desires, the Senator explained:

"He [Adlai Stevenson] complained that I referred to twenty years of treason. Tonight I shall place before the greatest of all juries, the American people, an indictment of 20 counts, picked at random, which at best constitute criminal stupidity — or at worst, treason. This does not constitute the entire picture, but just twenty counts in the indictment picked at random.

"As I read this indictment you decide what the cost was; in dollars and in blood and death and grief. There is scarcely one of you who hear me but has had some personal tragedy linked to these acts of infamy."

Following are the twenty counts of twenty deeds of betrayal as given by the Senator in his address:

"*Count Number One* in the indictment for treason: Let us call as a witness that greatest of all Americans, General Douglas MacArthur. He testified before the Russell Committee that when the Chinese Communists were pouring across the Yalu River bridges [in the Korean war], he immediately ordered the bombing of those bridges to keep the Reds from pouring across the river to kill, cripple, capture, and then torture to death the sons of American mothers as they did. MacArthur testified: 'But that order was countermanded from Washington.' How many Americans died because that order was countermanded no one will ever know; that many died because of it, no one can question.

"*Count Number Two* in the indictment for treason: In 1943 Adlai [Stevenson] was given the task of formulating America's postwar policy for Italy. That policy, according to the sworn testimony of General Bedell Smith, was to 'connive' to bring Communists into the Italian Government and to bring the Communist leader, Togliatti, back from Moscow. Why did Adlai want the Communist leader brought back from Moscow to Italy where he has since done so much damage?

"*Count Number Three* in the indictment for treason: Dropping back 20 years to November, 1933, one of the first acts of the Democrat Administration was to recognize Soviet Russia. This recognition of Russia, says Whittaker Chambers, laid the United States open to foreign espionage. And it may not be without significance that, according to a speech made on the Senate floor on May 16, 1933, Dean Acheson had for a while been the Washington lawyer for Communist Russia.

"*Count Number Four* in the indictment for treason: May 19, 1942, with Adlai as special assistant in the Navy Department, the White House ruled that members of the Communist conspiracy were to be allowed to act as radio operators on either commercial or naval vessels.

"*Count Number Five* in the indictment for treason: October 12, 1942, Lauchlin Currie, who has been named under oath as a Red spy and who was executive assistant to the President, arranged for Earl Browder, head of the Communist Party in the United States, to confer with the State Department so that he might guide the betrayal of China.

"*Count Number Six* in the indictment for treason: The deliberate betrayal of our fighting ally, the militantly anti-Communist Mihailovitch in Yugoslavia in favor of Communist Tito. The result — a Communist Yugoslavia.

"*Count Number Seven* in the indictment for treason: The secret Army directive which authorized the granting of commissions in the U. S. Army to members of the Communist conspiracy.

"*Count Number Eight* in the indictment for treason: The order to destroy the files on military personnel where the files showed that he was a Communist. Proof of this order is contained in this letter from Sen. Styles Bridges who kept the order from being fully carried out.

"*Count Number Nine* in the indictment for treason: We gave Russia our currency plates with no control over the amount of American-backed currency which they could print. The cost to American taxpayers — over 250 millions of dollars. The perpetrators — the Communist espionage agent, Harry Dexter White, who was then Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, and V. Frank Coe. Recently before our committee, he refused on the grounds of self-incrimination to tell whether or not he was engaged in running guns to the Communists. Incidentally here is a letter in which Coe recommended Adlai to an important assignment.

"*Count Number Ten* in the indictment for treason: Yalta. There millions of free men, women and children were sold into Communist slavery. As our Ambassador to Poland said at the time: 'As I looked over the [Yalta] agreement I could not believe my eyes. Every line spoke a complete surrender to the Communists.' One of those who helped draft the agreement — Alger Hiss — who years before that had been identified in FBI reports as a Communist spy.

"*Count Number Eleven* in the indictment for treason: In the sell-out to the Communist conspiracy: The loan of 90 millions of dollars of American money to the Communist-controlled government in Poland while the battle between the Communists and the anti-Communists in Poland was still touch and go. Your \$90 million bought the guns, the ammunition, the whips and the black snakes which beat a free people into reluctant bloody submission. And who granted the loan — Dean Gooderham Acheson. And whose firm represented the Communists — the law firm of the same Dean Gooderham Acheson.

"*Count Number Twelve* in the indictment for treason: In 1945 our friends in China desperately needed guns and ammunition to fight off the Communists. At the same time we had in our possession mountains of captured guns and ammunition which our China Allies so badly needed. General Eisenhower and his advisers ordered a vast amount of that material sent to our friends in China. Then what happened? There came an order written on White House stationery signed by Lauchlin Currie ordering that none of that material go to our friends in China — Lauchlin Currie, who has been repeatedly named under oath as a member of the Communist spy ring, was the former President's assistant with an office in the White House.

"*Count Number Thirteen* in the indictment for treason: Just a few months ago the man who had been acting chairman of the loyalty program of the Government Printing Office testified under oath that the head of Truman's loyalty program ordered them not to discharge any of their employees merely because they were Communists. This was the order of Truman's loyalty chief, even though certain workers in the Government Printing Office had access to topmost secret material from almost every agency in Government — Army, Navy, Air Corps, atomic energy, hydrogen bomb information, etc., secret material which, if in enemy hands, might well decree the death of this nation. The

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# The Apocrypha

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NOTING THAT THE article, "The Lion, the Eagle and the Carcase," deals with an Apocryphal book, many, no doubt, will give it no further attention. Perhaps this is natural, seeing that the Apocrypha has come to be regarded as of very secondary importance. We must remember, however, that the Apocrypha once formed an integral part of the English Bible, but, later on, it fell into disuse, largely from fear lest its writings should be regarded by the people as on the same level with the Scriptures. This feeling increased when the Roman Catholic Church (Council of Trent, 1546) put the whole of the Apocryphal books, with the exception of the Prayer of Manasses and I and II Esdras, on a level of complete equality with the Canonical Scriptures.

Consequently the Church of England Prayer Book Articles are careful to assert that the Church of England reads the Books of the Apocrypha for example of life and instruction of manners, but does not apply them to establish any doctrine. The fear lest people should put the Apocrypha on a level with the Scriptures led to its exclusion in all Bibles published by the British and Foreign Bible Society, 1826, and so led to the common impression that it was of little value and to its neglect.

It is obvious, however, that the real character and use of these writings is worthy of serious study for, after all, the Apocrypha bridges over the 400 years between the Old and the New Testaments and, with the exception of the writings of Josephus, forms the only source of information to speak of for this period between the Testaments. Some of it, of course, may not be reliable history; some of it is unprofitable; some of it is obviously fictitious, yet such portions have a direct moral lesson.

The first book of Maccabees is considered a trustworthy historical record of real worth and most of the books give insight into the internal conditions and religious feelings of the people. They throw light on conditions of life in Palestine as we read of it in the Gospels. A knowledge of it is suggested in some of the writings of Peter, Paul and James and especially in the Epistle to the Hebrews. There are many instances of affinity of thought which suggest that our Lord and the apostles were also well acquainted with the Apocrypha. This we should be led to expect for in those days these books were widely read, even by the heathen, especially those known as the "Wisdom Literature." (One example of such knowledge occurs in the words quoted by our Lord, as recorded by Matthew 23: 37, 38 and Luke 13: 34, 35, taken from II Esdras 1: 30, 33.)

The long time of inspired prophecy came to an end with Malachi, but gradually there had been growing up a special class of teachers known as the "wise." In the time of the Prophet Jeremiah there were, it seems, these "wise men," ethical students and teachers who stood with the priest and prophet as leaders of religious life. During the period between Malachi and the birth of our Lord the task of the "wise" was to adjust the truth left by the prophets to the new situation. The priests had become more and more immersed in ritualism and legalism and knowledge had taken refuge in "schools." Over and above all, Greek civilization and thought invaded and threatened the whole fabric of Judaism. There was conflict between Greek philosophy and Hebrew wisdom. The aims and methods of the two were fundamentally different. Greek philosophy started with the world as it is and then sought to find room for God in it (as do some of our philosophers today). Hebrew wisdom started with God and sought to explain the world in terms of God. Wisdom was practical and moral philosophy was speculative and metaphysical.

Now as to the second book of Esdras (which does not exist any longer in Greek), it is clear to an unprejudiced mind that in chapters 11 and 12 we have a prophecy which points to our times, to the circumstances of World War II, and to its sequel, the events leading to the Second Advent. It is interesting to read these chapters alongside our Lord's prophecy in Luke 21 and in Revelation 16. In the latter chapter, verses 13-15 forecast that, imminent to our Lord's coming, three unclean spirits (i.e., of Satanic origin) like frogs, would, in sinister and clandestine manner, become manifest on the human plane through the

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mouths of the mystic Dragon, Beast and False Prophet. Have we not here the three ideologies (Fascism, Nazism, Communism), which took practical shape under three dictators, preachers of lying, insidious propaganda, pursuing their aggressive aims by ruthless, devilish, godless, anti-Christian methods, with the terrible results we need not recapitulate? In verse 15 the warning is given:

"Behold, I come as a thief. Blessed is he that watcheth, and keepeth his garments, lest he walk naked, and they see his shame."

If a night watchman in the Temple was discovered asleep when on duty, he was often stripped of his clothing and cast out naked from the Temple. Does our Lord from Heaven use this as a parable to enforce the great need there would be for Christians in these perilous days to watch, remain steadfast in their faith and the integrity of the Christian life?

Isaiah 29 appears to throw a ray of light upon the dark side of this age's consummation. In the prophecy, verses 10-12 seem to aptly depict the perplexity, indifference, lukewarmness and formalism, no doubt largely due to the woeful ignorance of the Bible, which prevail today not only in the spiritual but also in the scientific and secular realms. "The wisdom of their wise men" seems "to have perished" (v. 14). Ferrar Fenton's translation is remarkable:

"So on this Race I lay wonders,  
Add wonders to wonders,  
Destroying its scientists' science,  
And baffling its scholars' researches."

Then we are shown a complete reversal (v. 18):

"In that day shall the deaf hear the words of the book, and the eyes of the blind shall see out of obscurity, and out of darkness."

Does this mean that we shall realize our identity as the House of Israel and blessedness shall come to our race, when they shall fear (reverence) the God of Israel and be once more known and seem to be indeed the People of the Book?

In the study that follows, it should be noticed that the Hebrew word *neshar* and the Latin word *aquila*, both rendered "eagle" in our Authorized Bible, sometimes denote birds of the true eagle type, such as the imperial eagle of Asia and southeast Europe; and sometimes birds of the vulture type, as the monarch vulture found in tropical and subtropical zones from Gibraltar to China; or the *Egyptian vulture*, which ranges over most of Africa and thence to India.

"All eagles are remarkable for the power and stateliness of their flight, which is largely 'soaring,' i.e., the wings are not flapped, but kept stretched out, and the bird appears to float through the air."

"True vultures are confined to the Old World. . . . They feed on carrion . . . are guided to their food, not by scent, but by sight. When one circling bird sights a corpse and drops, others see it and descend, and so in a few hours scores, or even hundreds, of birds will arrive. . . . When gorged vultures are often unable to rise from the ground. . . . The Egyptian vulture is a remarkably foul feeder." (*Encyclopedia Britannica*, 14th Edn.)

"The monarch vulture in its movements and characteristics is a majestic and royal bird, the largest and most powerful which is seen on the wing in Palestine, and far surpasses the eagle in size and power." (Smith's Dictionary of the Bible, p. 997.)

It is often not difficult to discern which bird is intended in the Scriptures. For example, in the following verses, Exodus 19: 4; Deuteronomy 32: 11; Isaiah 40: 31; Revelation 4: 7; 12: 14, evidently the true eagle is implied. On the other hand, in Matthew 24: 28, Luke 17: 37 the vulture is meant. Some translations also substitute vulture in Jeremiah 4: 13; 48: 40; 49: 22; Micah 1: 16 and Habakkuk 1: 8.

So as not to conflict with the text of the Authorized Version of the Bible, we have consistently employed the word "eagle" in the following pages; although, in most cases, the bird implied is obviously the vulture.

# The Lion, The Eagle and The Carcase

## PART I

### *The Lion and the Eagle*

**A** PROPHECY in the eleventh and twelfth chapters of the second book of Esdras throws a great deal of light on the days through which we are passing. Here an eagle having three heads is described, which, in its "last days," puts "the whole earth in fear" and rules with "much oppression." The mad career of this monstrous creature — evidently symbolical of some aggressor power or powers — is finally cut short by a lion who, reluctantly driven to take action, rebukes it and pronounces its doom:

"Thou hast afflicted the meek, thou hast hurt the peaceable, thou hast loved liars, and destroyed the dwellings of them that brought forth fruit, and hast cast down the walls of such as did thee no harm. . . .

"Therefore appear no more, thou eagle, nor thy horrible wings, nor thy wicked feathers, nor thy malicious heads, nor thy hurtful claws, nor all thy vain body: that all the earth may be refreshed, and may return, being delivered from thy violence, and that she may hope for the judgment and mercy of him that made her.

"And it came to pass, while the lion spake these words unto the eagle, I saw, and, behold . . . the whole body of the eagle was burnt, so that the earth was in great fear." (II Esdras 11: 42-46; 12: 1-3.)

Upon waking, Esdras requested that God might make known to him the meaning of this fearful dream:

"Comfort me then, and shew me thy servant the interpretation and plain difference of this fearful vision. . . . For thou hast judged me worthy to shew me the last times.

"And he said unto me, This is the interpretation of the vision: The eagle, whom thou sawest . . . is the kingdom which was seen in the vision of thy brother Daniel. But it was not expounded unto him, therefore now I declare it unto thee. . . .

"In his last days shall the most High raise up three kingdoms, and renew many things therein, and they shall have the dominion of the earth, and of those that dwell therein, with much oppression, above all those that were before them: therefore are they called the heads of the eagle. For these are they that shall accomplish his wickedness, and that shall finish his last end.

"And whereas thou sawest that the great head appeared no more, it signifieth that one of them shall die upon his bed, and yet with pain.

"For the two that remain shall be slain with the sword. For the sword of the one shall devour the other: but at the last shall he fall through the sword himself." (II Esdras 12: 8-28.)

Have any two powers answering to the description of this eagle and lion yet appeared on the world stage? An attempt to answer this question was made over thirty years ago by Herbert Wallis, M.I.C.E., in a pamphlet in which he submitted that the three heads of the eagle represented Italy, Russia and Germany, and that the lion stood for Britain or, rather, the Anglo-Saxon race.\*

The eagle, obviously of the vulture type, represented the "last end" of the kingdom revealed but not expounded to Daniel (Dan. 7: 7) which was the Roman. The prophecy

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thus covers the final development and overthrow of the Roman (Babylonian) system at the end of the age.

At the outset it may be helpful to recall something of the history of the eagle's "three heads."

### *The Roman, or Italian, Head*

During the first three centuries of the Christian Era, the Roman eagle had but one head — the "great head" of the Caesars. When Rome fell in A.D. 476, and Romulus Augustulus abdicated, this head disappeared.

### *The Eastern Head*

In the fourth century A.D., Rome became split into two empires, an eastern and a western, a second head appearing when Valens was crowned first emperor of the eastern empire, with Constantinople as its capital. After the fall of the western line of rulers in A.D. 476, eastern emperors ruled over a united Roman Empire.

This eastern head, after the fall of Constantinople in 1453, became transplanted to Russia. Ivan III, having married a niece of Constantine Palaeologus, claimed the throne and also claimed to be the successor of the old eastern Roman Empire, taking for his cognizance the double-headed eagle. His heir, Ivan IV, became the first Tsar, or Czar (a name equivalent to the Latin Caesar).

This Russian head ceased to exist in 1917, when the Czar, Nicholas II, was assassinated by the Bolsheviks.

### *The German Head*

The eagle's third head dates from A.D. 800, when the Frankish conqueror, Charlemagne, was crowned first emperor of the Holy Roman Empire by Pope Leo III.

This German, or Austro-German, line of Kaisers (a name also stemming from the Latin for Caesar) likewise took for its emblem a double-headed eagle. After Francis II renounced the title of emperor in 1806, German princes formed a confederation, but in 1871, following Prussia's victory over Austria, the title was revived when William I became emperor of Germany.

With the dethronement of the Kaiser, William II, in November of 1918, this German head also disappeared.

Esdras was shown that at the Time of the End three other more terrible heads would arise on the body of the eagle in place of those which had gone (II Esdras 12: 23).

But before considering what is said concerning these final heads, let us glance for a moment at the standard adopted by the Austro-German emperors of the Holy Roman Empire. The eagle on this standard bears a remarkable resemblance to the one described by Esdras having "twelve feathered wings" (11: 1), i.e., two wings, each having six main feathers; and eight small "contrary feathers" (11: 11), four on each wing. The two crowned heads of the standard, it would seem, represent Roman-German and Roman-Russian empires; while surmounting the whole is the imperial crown of the Papacy. The "great

\* *The Visions of Esdras and Kings of the North and South of Daniel.* Now out of print.

head" is, of course, not included, having vanished long before.

But there is an even closer correspondence. Esdras was shown that the "twelve feathers" represented a succession of twelve kings, the last of the line. The second would reign longer than the others (11: 13-17), and of those at the end, "some of them were set up but ruled not" (11: 21). Here are minute details which, if fulfilled, should settle once and for all whether or not this prophecy was Divinely inspired. We are to consider the reigns of the last twelve kings of the Holy Roman Empire, and in the first place observe whether the second reigned longer than the others; also, at the end, whether some "were set up but ruled not," i.e., adopted the title but were not crowned by the Pope.

The last twelve kings of the Holy Roman Empire, as given in Haydn's *Dictionary of Dates*, 1910 Edn., were as follows:

	Emperor of	Began to reign	Years of reign
Ferdinand III	(Roman-Germany)	1637	21 years
Leopold I	"	1658	47 "
Joseph I	"	1705	6 "
Charles VI	"	1711	29 "
Charles VII	"	1742	3 "
Francis I	"	1745	20 "
Joseph II	"	1765	25 "
Leopold II	"	1790	2 "
Francis II	"	1792	14 "
William I	(Prussia Germany)	1871	17 "
Frederick III	"	1888	3 months
William II	"	1888	30 years

From the above it will be noticed that the second, Leopold I, actually did reign seventeen years longer than the next longest, William II; moreover, as none of the last three (Hohenzollerns), William I, Frederick III or William II, were crowned by the Pope, the requirements of the prophecy were met exactly.

When the last of the twelve feathers had gone — which occurred at the abdication of the Kaiser — two things would take place: 1) Eight small states — "contrary feathers" — would come into being; 2) Three new heads would appear on the body of the eagle.

Herbert Wallis, in the pamphlet above mentioned, observed that, in order to identify these eight states, the signature of the Peace Treaty (June 1919) must be awaited. And when published it was noticed that eight small independent states had appeared. They were Latvia, Lithuania, Estonia, Poland, Hungary, Czechoslovakia, Yugoslavia and Albania. Their "times shall be but small, and their years swift. And two of them shall perish, the middle time approaching: four shall be kept until their end begin to approach: but two shall be kept unto the end" (12: 20-21). Is there evidence that so far such has proved the case?

#### "Two shall perish"

Were these *Czechoslovakia*, which perished when seized by Hitler in March 1939; and *Poland*, when crushed by Nazi and Soviet armies in September 1939? Both have since been engulfed in the Cominform.

#### "Four shall be kept until their end begin to approach"

Were these *Latvia*, *Lithuania*, *Estonia*, devoured by the Soviet, August 1940; and *Hungary*, which joined the Cominform in 1948?

#### "Two shall be kept unto the end"

Are these *Yugoslavia* and *Albania*, both of which are presumably independent?

### The Last Three Heads

"In his last days shall the most High raise up three kingdoms, and renew many things therein, and they shall have the dominion of the earth, and of those that dwell therein, with much oppression, above all those that were before them: therefore are they called the heads of the eagle." (II Esdras 12: 23-24.)

Obviously these three new heads on the eagle have been Fascist Italy, Nazi Germany and Soviet Russia. The "great head," occupying Caesar's seat, was the Fascist regime under Mussolini, who regarded himself as the political heir of Caesar; that occupying the territory of the Kaisers was the Nazi dictatorship under Adolph Hitler; that which occupies the seat of the Czars is the Communist regime. For a brief period during the "last days" these three heads would have the "dominion" and rule with "much oppression." For "these are they that shall accomplish his wickedness, and that shall finish his last end" (12: 25).

It was Mussolini's ambition to found a new Roman empire. One of his emblems — the Roman "fasces" — consisted of a bundle of rods with an axe in the middle; another was an eagle. A postage stamp issued by him before the last war represented an eagle attacking a lion — evidently the British lion.

Hitler's aim was also to seize world power. A stamp issued by him in 1939, showed the Swastika — the crooked cross — shining upon the earth, with a black eagle, wings outstretched, embracing the whole world, which spoke eloquently of his designs.

Moscow, too, has dreams of achieving world supremacy. A handful of men in the Kremlin, holding down millions of people, now possess not only the greatest military forces on earth, but the hydrogen bomb as well.

Falsehood and lying propaganda have been characteristics of these heads. Millions of unoffending people have been torn from their homes and deported; peaceable countries have been ruthlessly invaded and their cities desolated. We think of the Gestapo, concentration camps, extermination squads, gas chambers, of the sufferings, tortures and death inflicted upon thousands upon thousands. How true, then, were the words of condemnation addressed by the lion: "Thou hast afflicted the meek, thou hast hurt the peaceable, thou hast loved liars, and destroyed the dwellings of them that brought forth fruit, and hast cast down the walls of such as did thee no harm." And at the end what would happen?

The "great head," as foretold by Esdras, would die "upon his bed, and yet with pain." When British and American armies invaded Italy in 1943, and Italy would have surrendered, she was prevented from doing so by Germany, and the whole country from south to north became a battlefield. Why? Because the "great head" had to die upon his "bed" — territory — and yet "with pain" (12: 26).

Of the "two that remain, the sword of the one shall devour the other," says the prophecy. That likewise has come true, for has not the Russian devoured the German — territory, plant, machinery, technicians, etc., everything of use for the development of her war machine?



But at the end this remaining head "shall fall through the sword himself" (12: 28).

### The Lion

So far, Britain appears to have played the exact part foretold for the lion in Esdras' prophecy. Is it not remarkable that a shilling struck in 1936, and minted until recently, should have depicted the British lion sitting in judgment with drawn sword? Our 1939-1945 War Medal showed the British lion bestriding a monster with an eagle-shaped head. The lion is Britain's emblem. A lion, together with a unicorn, are to be seen upon our Royal Coat of Arms; while upon our Royal Standard and the shield of our Royal Arms is displayed a lion and six smaller lions, the latter representing the daughter nations of the Commonwealth.

But both lion and unicorn are Israel's emblems, for we find in the Bible that the lion is invariably associated with Judah and the unicorn with Ephraim. Moreover, it would seem from Jacob's prophecy (Gen. 49) that the lion would serve as an identification mark "in the last days" (v. 1), for in verse 9 we read:

"Judah is a lion's whelp: from the prey, my son, thou art gone up: he stooped down, he couched as a lion, and as an old lion; who shall rouse him up?"

Another prophet, Balaam, prophesying of Israel's "last end," said:

"He hath as it were the strength of an unicorn. . . . Behold, the people shall rise up as a great lion, and lift up himself as a young lion: he shall not lie down until he eat of the prey, and drink the blood of the slain." (Num. 23: 22-24.)

"He couched, he lay down as a lion, and as a great lion: who shall stir him up?" (Num. 24: 9.)

These references obviously apply to a great military power, reluctant to fight, needing to be stirred into action, but when once roused, never letting go until its enemy is defeated.

Micah, centuries later, evidently prophesying of the same age-end crisis, foresaw Israel playing a double role — on the one hand being "in the midst of many people as a dew from the Lord," quietly reviving and restoring those in need; yet, on the other hand, behaving as "a lion among the beasts of the forest" — an irresistible warlike power (Micah 5: 7-8).

Ezekiel also presents the same paradoxical picture of Israel in the last days, foretelling in one prophecy how, prior to the "battle in the day of the Lord," to her own detriment she would have been preoccupied with a false peace movement (Ezekiel 13). Yet, in another (Ezekiel 38 & 39), when the last great struggle starts, she would challenge and in the end completely triumph over the aggressor, a mighty northern confederacy. Israel, in these latter chapters, is referred to as "the merchants of Tarshish, with all the young lions thereof" (Ez. 38: 13), i.e., an old lion with her young lions, daughter nations. The name "Tarshish" suggests that Israel would then have become a great commercial, maritime, colonizing power.

But who is the enemy, this northern confederacy? Consider carefully the prophetic description:

"Gog, the land of Magog, the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal. . . ." (Ez. 38: 2.)

The Hebrew word translated "chief" is "Rosh." Thus,

the more correct rendering, as in the Revised Version, is "Gog, prince of Rosh," and Gesenius, the learned Hebrew linguist, three generations ago, pointed out that the word "Rosh" is a proper noun answering to the name of Russia. Moreover, Elliott, over a century ago, wrote:

"Gog, very possibly may be the Russian power: the terms Rosh, Meshech, Tubal answering too well to Russ, Moscow, Tobolsk, not to suggest a thought to that effect."

The interesting point about all this is that the canonical part of the Bible, and particularly the Book of Ezekiel, actually confirms Esdras' prophecy of the lion and the eagle; that the last remaining head of the eagle, the one which sprang from the territory occupied by the Czars, is Russia; and, furthermore, that the lion power, which is to utterly defeat this last great enemy, represents Israel.

The following extract from a little book published in 1903 entitled *The Brightening East*, by the Rev. J. H. Townsend, D.D., then vicar of St. Mark's, Tunbridge Wells, shows that a generation or more ago some of our church leaders had clearer insight into these prophecies than many have today:

"That the former of these titles [Gog] describes Russia there is no doubt. He is called by Ezekiel the Prince of Rosh, the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal, names not difficult to recognize in their present form. In Ezekiel 38: 13, there is, I believe, a distinct prophecy of England under the expression 'the merchants of Tarshish.' The prophet adds that these 'merchants,' 'with all the young lions thereof,' shall cry out against the intruder from the North. . . . Five and twenty years ago [1878] the late Canon Hoare said to me that he had no doubt 'the young lions' meant England's Colonies, the young mighty nations of Canada, Australia, New Zealand, etc. At the height of the coming struggle . . . the Deliverer will appear! He will overwhelm His enemies, and then shall begin the long foretold Reign of Peace."

This brings us to the most important point of all. Previously, Esdras has dealt with the nature of the judgment, and foretold how at last the "whole body of the eagle" would be "burnt"; now he reveals the Judge Himself:

"And the lion, whom thou sawest rising up out of the wood, and roaring, and speaking to the eagle, and rebuking her for her unrighteousness with all the words which thou hast heard; This is the anointed [one], which the Highest hath kept for them and for their wickedness unto the end: he shall reprove them, and shall upbraid them with their cruelty. For he shall set them before him alive in judgment, and shall rebuke them. . . ." (II Esdras 12: 31-33.)

Here, then, the lion represents Christ at His return in judgment. At His first coming, His emblem was a lamb; at His second coming it will be a lion — "the Lion of the Tribe of Judah, the Root of David" (Rev. 5: 5). Because He has chosen Israel to be His executive nation (Isa. 9: 7), they bear this same emblem — the lion — although blind to their identity and to the fact that He is their Unseen Commander, overruling their actions and strategy and, in spite of their exceeding sinfulness, protecting them and enduing them with the gifts they will need for final victory. At the same time the fiery trial through which they will shortly have to pass will be for the purging of their dross and to compel them to turn to Him in penitence and to seek Him with their whole hearts.

In the chapter that follows a further vision is described in which Esdras was given a glimpse of the last great battle and its climax when Christ will be revealed; how He will

then "rebuke the wicked inventions of those nations, which for their wicked life are fallen into the tempest . . . and he shall destroy them without labour by the law which is like unto fire." He will then gather "another peaceable multitude unto him":

"The ten tribes, which were carried away prisoners out of their own land in the time of Osea the king, whom Salmanasar the king of Assyria led away captive, and he carried them over the waters, and so came they into another land. But they took this counsel among themselves, that they would leave the multitude of the heathen, and go forth into a further country, where never mankind dwelt. . . ." (II Esdras 13: 40-41.)

With the clues provided, is it possible to mistake that the British Commonwealth and United States of America represent lost Israel — the "peaceable multitude" endowed with lion-like indomitable power — now confronting the "eagle"? Are they not fulfilling the role foretold for them and is not the world stage already set for the grand climax?

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policy of 'Don't take Communists away from the nation's secrets — let them hold a razor poised over arteries carrying the life blood of the nation' — applied not merely to the printing office, but to every Federal agency because the order came from Seth Richardson who was Truman's top dog in the entire loyalty program. Unbelievable you say — yes. Impossible you say — yes. But all a matter of cold record.

"Count Number Fourteen in the indictment for treason: A Federal Grand Jury presentment released on December 2, 1952, in discussing Communists in the United Nations, had this to say:

"Almost without exception these same subversive employees with the United Nations were formerly employed in various departments of our own Federal Government. They were transferred from one Federal department to another, finally ending up in key positions in the United Nations. The evidence shows this is not coincidental but part of a definite, planned pattern. It appears to result from the contrivance of certain highly placed officials who have surrounded themselves in each Government agency, and then in the United Nations, with personnel who share their disloyal convictions."

"Count Number Fifteen in the indictment for treason: While the Republic of China, which had fought side by side with us during the entire war, was in a life-and-death struggle with the Russian-supported Chinese Communists, we embargoed the shipment of even one ounce of gun powder to that anti-Communist ally of ours.

"Count Number Sixteen in the indictment for treason: While conducting an air tight embargo on the shipment of any of the weapons of war to the Republic of China, we were forcing the opening of Kalgan Mountain Pass into Manchuria, with the result that the Chinese Communists could be and were fully armed by the Russians.

"Count Number Seventeen in the indictment for treason: Immediately following the outbreak of the Korean war the United Nations 7th Fleet was ordered to patrol the waters along the Communist coast of China. Their orders:

"7) Sink any ship which attempts to go from Formosa to help those who are fighting the Communists in China, but do not molest or in any way interfere with ships helping the Communists.

"2) Do not let the Chinese navy on Formosa sink any Communist shipping. As Ambassador Bullitt testified:

"Our Government has given orders to our fleet to prevent it [the navy of the anti-Communist Chinese] from stopping the Communist supply ships going up to Korea. They sail right by Formosa, loaded with Soviet munitions put in the Polish Communist ships in Gydnia. They come all the way around and go right by Formosa and sail past there, taking weapons up to be

used to kill American soldiers in Korea, and, by order of our Government, the Chinese navy is flatly forbidden to stop them on their way up there."

"As President Eisenhower pointed out, 'This has meant, in effect, that the United States Navy was required to serve as a defensive arm of Communist China. This permitted those Communists, with greater impunity, to kill our soldiers.'

"Count Number Eighteen in the indictment for treason: Starting in 1939 official reports gave the State Department information showing that Alger Hiss was a member of the Communist conspiracy. Despite this, or perhaps because of it, he rose rapidly up the ladder until he was head of the policy and planning division of the State Department and finally was made the Secretary General for the organization of the United Nations at San Francisco. Hiss' file showed he was a Red spy at the time he was picked for this job.

"Count Number Nineteen in the indictment for treason: In the sellout of the Communist conspiracy: During the Korean war President Truman sent his personal friend, General Lowe, to act as his eyes and ears in Korea. In fairness to Truman it should be made clear that General Lowe's reports were intercepted, either in the Pentagon or somewhere else in Washington and never reached Truman. When Lowe returned to the United States, here is what he had to say:

"General MacArthur was right in Korea, and if he'd been left alone, he long since would have won in Korea. What we face now is a disgraceful stalemate, the writing off of tens of thousands of needless American casualties, the loss of face throughout the entire Oriental world and a pointless, undefined position for ourselves. MacArthur was hamstrung and finally brought down by the interference of the State Department."

"Count Number Twenty in the indictment for treason: On March 10, 1953, General Van Fleet, who had been the commanding general of our Armies in Korea, appeared before the Senate appropriations committee. He was being questioned by Senator Byrd. Question by Senator Byrd: You were quoted, I think, General, in the newspapers, as saying on two occasions that you could have gained a military victory in Korea. Is that correct? Answer by General Van Fleet: In June of 1951, we had the Communist armies on the run; they were hurting badly, out of supplies, completely out of hand or control; they were in a panic, and were doing their best to fall as far back as possible, and we stopped by order, did not pursue to finish the enemy. Question by Senator Byrd: Did you recommend that the attack be continued? Answer by General Van Fleet: Oh, yes; I was crying to have them turn us loose.

"Question by Senator Byrd: If you had had the authority to go ahead and pursue the enemy as far as you could, what would have been the results? Answer by General Van Fleet: I believe we would have gotten all his heavy equipment and perhaps two or three hundred thousand prisoners.

"Ask yourselves, my friends, who in Washington refused to let the general in the field win the victory when he reported to them 'we had the Communist armies on the run, they were hurting badly, out of supplies, completely out of hand or control; they were in a panic.' How many American boys died because this great general was instructed not to win. How many will die in the future, no man knows.

"If these 20 counts picked at random from the record of the two decades between March 4, 1933, and January 20, 1953, do not add up to treason, then I ask you, my friends, what is treason?

"These, ladies and gentlemen, are the facts — every one backed by proof and official reports. You be the judge. Is it treason? If not, what is it?

"Those who would defend that record dare not do so directly. They condemn investigations and techniques. Anyone can be a hero of this left-wing gang if he shouts about 'liberty' and 'freedom' and 'coercion.' The lower the hypocrite the more general the terms, and the greater the condemnation and the louder the

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# THE PROPHET HOSEA

## CHAPTER VI

### *A Great Apostasy*

THE FIRST five chapters in this study of Hosea, his life and utterances cover the first four chapters of his book in the Bible. In his first two chapters, the prophet recounts the story of the rejection, punishment, regathering and ultimate restoration of the House of Israel in the last days. In his third chapter, Hosea points to impending judgment, followed by desolation, after which Israel would seek the Lord in the latter days. Then the great restoration would follow. In his fourth chapter, Hosea warns a sinful generation that an apostate people will not escape the wrath of God, but that punishment will certainly follow, and he outlines the severity of that punishment.

In the remainder of his book Hosea enlarges upon the details of his warnings as he points out the sins of priests, people and rulers of both Israel and Judah. The prophet contrasts the existing conditions in his day with those which had existed in earlier times. He condemns the outward show of repentance against the background of inward depravity and condemns the people for seeking alliances with foreigners, multiplying the extent of their revolt against God. He then warns that their moral failure will bring about political ruin and that their idolatrous practices and appeals to idols will not save them from destruction.

### *Priests Condemned*

After having condemned Israel for their idolatry, which had resulted in a great apostasy in the land, Hosea then addressed a message to an apostate priesthood. He called upon Israel to take note and for the house of the kings to give ear:

"Hear ye this, O priests; and hearken, ye house of Israel; and give ye ear, O house of the king; for judgment is toward you, because ye have been a snare on Mizpah, and a net spread upon Tabor." (Hosea 5:1.)

Contrary to generally-accepted teaching, Mizpah did not originally signify a benediction, but was, rather, a symbol of the necessity for watchfulness, keeping apart those who might pass over to harm one another (Gen. 31:49). The name "Mizpah" means *watch tower* and Hosea was stating that the priests, who should have been watchmen upon the watch tower to warn God's people of impending danger, had become a snare to them by countenancing idolatry and allowing the people to be entangled as in a net spread to trap wild beasts. Hosea 5:2, as translated by Smith and Goodspeed, describes the "revolters," or apostates, as having "dug deep the pit." Jesus referred to the spiritual leaders of His day in similar terms when He said:

"Let them alone: they be blind leaders of the blind. And if the blind lead the blind, both shall fall into the ditch." (Matt. 15:14.)

An interesting translation of Hosea 5:2 by Delitzsch shows to what a low state of spiritual degradation the priests of Hosea's time had fallen:

"They understand from the very foundation how to spread out transgression."

### *Prayers Unheard*

What the prophet declared the spiritual leaders of his day did to contribute to the general over-all apostasy of the time can be emphatically said of the religious leadership furnished by modernists who permeate Christian leadership in our churches today.

Hosea pointed to the misdeeds of the people, declaring they were not hid from God's sight. He emphasized that the evil they were doing prevented them from returning to God because of the apostate spirit within them. The prophet declared that Judah had also stumbled and, although both Judah and Israel might offer sacrifices, it would not now save them from their sins which had become so great that God would not hear their prayers. Because of the failure to keep the requirements of all His laws, Hosea declared that "they have begotten strange children."

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### *Strange Children*

The Hebrew word here translated "strange" is *zur*, which means an apostate or one given over to the idolatrous impurities of heathen religions. The prophet was referring to sons born in Israel who were practicing the evil abominations of the heathen. The fathers and mothers of this evil generation were condemned for their failure to properly bring up their offspring and teach them the precepts and laws of the Lord. The same evils of ungodliness, immorality and crime were rampant in Hosea's time that are widespread in our own time and the cause is the same — the failure to instruct each new generation in the ways of the Lord. The inevitable results were forecast by the prophet:

"Now shall a month devour them with their portions." (Hosea 5:7.)

Ferrar Fenton translates the entire seventh verse as follows:

"The Lord you betrayed when you bore bastard sons, — Now a month will eat them and their herds."

By the expression, "a month," the prophet was indicating that in a very short time the complete disposal of these evil children would be accomplished.

### *Betraying the Lord*

The expression, "betraying the Lord," is of particular interest, for it means "to violate a trust" and "to deliver over to the enemy through faithlessness or treachery" that which belongs to the Lord. Parenthood in Israel carried with it the sacred trust of bringing up children in the knowledge and fear of the Lord. This was part of the covenant God made with His people:

"Now these are the commandments, the statutes, and the judgments, which the Lord your God commanded to teach you, that ye might do them in the land whither ye go to possess it: That thou mightest fear the Lord thy God, to keep all his statutes and his commandments, which I command thee, thou, and thy son, and thy son's son,



all the days of thy life; and that thy days may be prolonged. Hear therefore, O Israel, and observe to do it; that it may be well with thee, and that ye may increase mightily, as the Lord God of thy fathers hath promised thee, in the land that floweth with milk and honey.

"Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God is one Lord: And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might. And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart: And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up." (Deut. 6: 1-7.)

Hosea informed his generation that, by their failure to carry out these Divine injunctions, they had betrayed the Lord. Having been uninstructed in God's commandments, and having no faith and trust in their Lord, they had been rendered vulnerable to every Satanic influence. Actually they became a prey to the Arch Enemy of God for his exploitation and were therefore lost to the Kingdom and must be dealt with as strangers and not citizens of the Kingdom of God.

### Responsibility of Parents

What was true in Hosea's time is equally true today and parents who fail to bring up their sons and daughters in the fear and knowledge of the Lord come under Divine condemnation. There is a tremendous responsibility placed upon parents in the sight of the Lord, who requires that they train their children to respect and obey His commandments. Failure to do so is to deal treacherously with the Lord.

When a generation comes into being in Israel that does not know God, judgment will not be long delayed as a consequence. Hosea described the first phase of that judgment in terms of the punishment that overtook Benjamin for their sins. He selected Gibeah in Benjamin where the Levite's concubine was mistreated by men of Benjamin, a crime which led to the slaughter of all of Benjamin except three hundred men (see Judges, chapters 18-20).<sup>\*</sup> The prophet exclaimed:

"Blow ye the cornet in Gibeah, and the trumpet in Ramah: cry aloud at Beth-aven, after thee, O Benjamin." (Hosea 5:8.)

### House of Iniquity

Blowing the trumpet in Ramah, a

<sup>\*</sup> See Chapter xxxviii of *Primogenisis*. \$5.00 postpaid, Destiny Publishers, Haverhill, Mass.

city on the border of Benjamin, would signal invasion and war. The reference to Beth-aven was indicative of the state of apostasy in Israel, for Bethel means "House of God," while the meaning of Beth-aven is "house of naught" or "house of iniquity." Jeroboam profaned the place, or House, of God by establishing the worship of the golden calves there, for he had set one in Bethel and the other in Dan (I Kings 12: 29). Thus the House of God became the House of Iniquity.

Using Benjamin's sin and the subsequent almost complete annihilation of the tribe by the rest of Israel as an example, Hosea intimated that the first phase of destruction upon the children who had departed from the ways of the Lord would be slaughter from within. Benjamin was slaughtered by the rest of the tribes of Israel and the cry, "After thee, O Benjamin!" (that is, "the enemy is behind thee!") is a cry of war and refers to the time when, in the midst of battle, the men of Benjamin looked behind them and beheld their cities in flames. As a result they lost heart in continuing the battle and turned their backs on the foes in front, who then pursued and decisively defeated this tribe with a great slaughter (see Judges, chapter 20).

### Coming Desolation

The next step in the process of judgment Hosea declared was to be desolation upon the tribes of Israel, which was pronounced in terms of punishment upon Ephraim, the headship tribe. But Judah was not to escape, for the prophet declared that their rulers were corrupt and practiced injustice. He likened their failure to deal righteously to one who removes ancient landmarks, a lawless act severely condemned under the Law of the Lord (Deut. 19: 14).

Hosea then depicted Ephraim as oppressed and broken in judgment because the House of Israel willfully followed the idolatrous practices of Jeroboam. The result was that the enemy invaded the land and made it a desolation in fulfillment of the curses that Moses said would come upon God's people when they turned away from His laws:

"The fruit of thy land, and all thy labours, shall a nation which thou knowest not eat up; and thou shalt be only oppressed and crushed away." (Deut. 28:33.)

### Forbidden Alliances

The prosperity of the people had vanished as the result of oppression and the invasions of the land by their enemies. Hosea gave them this message from the Lord:

"Therefore will I be unto Ephraim as a moth, and to the house of Judah as rottenness." (Hosea 5: 12.)

The moth is a hidden destroyer and rottenness is caused by worms bred in decaying wood. This is indicative, therefore, of the kind of inward disintegration that was destroying His people. God likened Himself to destroying agencies of this type to demonstrate the inevitable outcome of the failure to obey His laws. Spiritual deterioration is inherent in disobedience to God's commandments and is the hidden factor bringing about complete moral and spiritual degeneration, just as the undiscovered moth destroys the uncared-for garment and undetected termites undermine and finally wreck the structure they infest.

The Septuagint Version translates this verse:

"I will be like a terror to Ephraim, and like a goad to the house of Judah." (Hosea 5: 12.)

In spite of their suffering and troubles, the House of Israel refused to return to the Lord and instead turned for help to the Assyrians, sending Ambassadors to King Jareb. But the prophet declared there was no healing for Israel by this means, nor was her pain assuaged.

Jareb is thought by some to be an epithet applied by Hosea here and in Chapter 10: 6 to the King of Assyria. In a footnote in *The Companion Bible*, reference is made to Professor Sayce's book, *Higher Criticism and the Monuments* (pp. 416-417), where it is stated that Jareb may be the birth name of the usurper Sargon II, the successor of Shalmaneser. He points out that Shalmaneser did not take Samaria, but his successor did, as stated in an inscription found in the palace he built near Nineveh.

In conformity with God's covenant with them, His people had no right to seek alliances with the nations around them. The Lord had declared:

"Thou shalt make no covenant with them, nor with their gods." (Ex. 23: 32.)

Because Israel sought assistance from Assyria in her difficulties, the way was

opened for this nation to become their oppressors, as pointed out in Ferrar Fenton's translation:

"Then Ephraim went off to seek Ashur, and set loose the Ravaging King; — But he could not find you a cure, Nor could he take from you your sore!" (Hosea 5: 13.)

### *God Becomes the Adversary*

Actually the seeking of this alliance hastened the day when the enemy would invade the land of Israel in force. The Lord states as a result:

"For I will be like a lion unto Ephraim, and like a young lion to the house of Judah. I will rend and be gone; I will carry off, with none to rescue. I will go back to my place, Until they realize their guilt, and seek my face; in their trouble they will seek me." (Hosea 5: 14-15, *Smith & Goodspeed Trans.*)

The Septuagint Version translates this:

"For I am like a panther to Ephraim, and like a lion to the house of Juda. When I tear, I will go and take and there shall be no deliverer. I will sally forth and return to my place until they are made desolate, then they will seek my face. In their affliction they will seek me early."

### *The Modern Ravager*

In these three verses of less than sixty words Hosea covers the centuries of compulsion exerted upon His people under God's direction to compel them to seek Him. The sin of modern Israel is no different than that of our forefathers in Hosea's time. Then they made alliances with the Assyrians; today we are seeing the disastrous results of our covenants and agreements with the heathen rulers of Soviet Russia before, during and since World War II. Now this modern ravager, whom we have set loose, has grown powerful at our expense and he is moving forward unrelentingly toward the consummation of his goal — world domination.

The Lord declares that, as the result of their plight when they become helpless before the advance of the aggressor, His people will return to Him of their own volition. Throughout the centuries God has been waiting and now, as the age closes, the Israel nations are about to awaken to the real nature of their predicament under the pressure of an enemy seeking their annihilation. Hosea gives the timing of that awakening to spiritual values when, prophetically, he puts the following words into Israel's mouth:

"Come, and let us return unto the Lord: for he hath torn, and he will heal us; he hath smitten, and he will bind us up. After two days will he revive us: in the third day he will raise us up, and we shall live in his sight. Then shall we know, if we follow on to know the Lord: his going forth is prepared as the morning; and he shall come unto us as the rain, as the latter and former rain unto the earth." (Hosea 6: 1-3.)

### *An Appeal to God*

Joel confirms the fact that such a call will go out to God's people to return to Him, brought about as the result of the heathen nations gathering against them. He is more specific, even setting forth the type of prayer that will be uttered as the nation appeals to God for help:

"Gather the people, sanctify the congregation, assemble the elders, gather the children, and those that suck the breasts: let the bridegroom go forth of his chamber, and the bride out of her closet. Let the priests, the ministers of the Lord, weep between the porch and the altar, and let them say, Spare thy people, O Lord, and give not thine heritage to reproach, that the heathen should rule over them: wherefore should they say among the people, Where is their God?" (Joel 2: 16-17.)

### *The Enemy's Objective*

Thus, as Hosea predicts, the people will, in the time of trouble, seek the Lord. It will indeed be a time of trial, for the enemy moving against the House of Israel is Gog of the land of Magog, the chief prince of Meshech (Moscow), at the head of a great confederacy, with the objective — the destruction of the House of Israel in the latter days (see Ezekiel, chapters 38 & 39). The present confederacy being consolidated under the leadership of Soviet Russia is fulfilling the predictions of Ezekiel's prophecy and will become the great army moving against God's people, causing them to pray the prayer given prophetically by Joel.

### *Week of Days*

The chronological timing of these developments is completely in step with Hosea's prediction and that of both Joel and Ezekiel, as well as other prophets. Hosea's statement, "After two days will he revive us," is worthy of close examination in the light of Peter's declaration:

"One day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day." (II Peter 3: 8.)

As pointed out in "The Fullness of the Ages," *Documentary Studies*, Vol. II, pages 57-70,\* in the great week of days, each day is one thousand years in length. Thus, three days had run their course from the beginning of human history, when Adam fell, to the dedication of the Temple at Jerusalem in 3000 A.M., or 1000-999 B.C. Three more days of 1000 years each remained from the dedication of the Temple to the great restoration and beginning of the millennial rule of our Lord.

During the one thousand years, or first day, following the dedication of the Temple, the House of Israel, and later the House of Judah, were carried into captivity. Israel was carried away to Assyria and Judah to Babylon. By the end of this day Jesus Christ was born (3996 A.M., or 4-3 B.C.). The second day, or thousand-year period, brought about the institution of His Church, with Israel in the Isles receiving the Gospel and the good news of their redemption was made known to them. The final one-thousand-year day, the third from the dedication of the Temple and the sixth from Adam in the great week of days (5000 A.M., or 1001-2 A.D., to 6000 A.M., or 2001-2 A.D.) began with the Norman Conquest when England was invaded by William the Conqueror and the Saxons were defeated in 1066 A.D. As pointed out in "The Fullness of the Ages":

"This is the last day of man's probation and before it ends the dispensation of the fullness of the ages will have become a fact as the Lord returns to take over His great authority and rule. This day is to end with the restitution of all things so that, when the millennial rest begins, perfection will have been established, while sin and trouble will pass away as righteousness is again restored to the earth. Just as man came into being at the end of the sixth day of creation, so, at the end of this sixth day of probation, the resurrection will occur and man, who lost the right to immortality because of sin, will receive this gift of God through His Son, Jesus Christ." (*Documentary Studies*, Vol. II, p. 60.)

### *Two and Three Days*

Applying Hosea's two and three days to the history of Israel, beginning with the Israel-Syrian wars in 914-853 B.C., when Israel's power was greatly reduced, two days, or two thousand

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years, passed during which they were smitten and torn. Finally, under the pressure of adversity, they were driven westward. It was in the Eleventh Century that the Norman Conquest of England took place and the last of the tribes of Israel had gathered in the Isles. The period of revival prophesied by Hosea had begun. For the next few centuries, safely planted in their island home, the "Appointed Place" where Nathan the Prophet told David they would have rest from their enemies (II Sam. 7: 10), they began to renew their strength as Isaiah prophesied:

"Keep silence before me, O islands; and let the people renew their strength: let them come near; then let them speak: let us come near together to judgment." (Isa. 41: 1.)

### *Expansion of Modern Israel*

Hosea continued by saying, "In the third day he will raise us up, and we shall live in his sight." About the middle of the third day, a Seven-Times period (7 x 360) of two thousand years plus 520 years, or 2520 years, would be completed. This number of years after the Israel-Syrian wars saw the development of the Puritan Movement and responsible government in the British Isles. It also began the period of the expansion of the Anglo-Saxon peoples, the colonization of America and the growth of modern Israel into the nation and the company of nations and great people of prophecy. Beginning with the Reformation in the midst of this third day, and the institution of missionary activities at the outset of the Nineteenth Century, Isaiah's prophecy began to be fulfilled. Drawing near to the Lord, the people began

to speak in His name as they carried the Gospel of Salvation to the ends of the earth.

Before they will be able to draw together to the Lord in judgment, however, modern Israel must awaken to the knowledge of their origin and identity so that they may arise to their responsibilities. This is the meaning of the invitation by Hosea, "Let us return." But it will be only the recognition of the superior power of an almost-victorious enemy moving against God's people that will compel them to realize and acknowledge that they are the Israel of God, as so clearly set forth by Joel. Then the fulfillment of Jeremiah's prophecy will come about:

"All they that devour thee shall be devoured; and all thine adversaries, every one of them, shall go into captivity; and they that spoil thee shall be a spoil, and all that prey upon thee will I give for a prey. For I will restore health unto thee, and I will heal thee of thy wounds, saith the Lord." (Jer. 30: 16-17.)

### *Living in God's Sight*

This healing will come, according to Hosea, when "He will raise us up, and we shall live in his sight." This will bring about the fulfillment of Isaiah's words:

"Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee." (Isa. 60: 1.)

No wonder Hosea exclaims, "Then shall we know!" All of our present troubles stem from a lack of knowledge of the Lord and the failure to recognize the necessity to keep His laws. If, then, as intimated by the prophet, we follow on to know the Lord, we shall live in His sight. This is the awakening of

Israel to newness of life, fulfilling Ezekiel's prediction of a great spiritual awakening as set forth in the 36th and 37th chapters of his book.

Hosea then declares of the Lord:

"His going forth is prepared as the morning; and he shall come unto us as the rain, as the latter and former rain unto the earth." (Hosea 6: 3.)

### *Time of Restoration*

There is nothing that can be substituted for refreshing rain to restore life, fertility and productiveness to the parched earth. By his use of this simile, the prophet is referring here to the only remedy that will restore His people in righteousness and bring renewal of life to His Kingdom — the return of Jesus Christ! It is He who will accomplish the complete discomfiture of His enemies and the enemies of His Kingdom. Joel shows this close association of judgment and renewal:

"I will remove far off from you the northern army, and will drive him into a land barren and desolate. . . . Fear not, O land; be glad and rejoice: for the Lord will do great things. . . . Be glad then, ye children of Zion, and rejoice in the Lord your God: for he hath given you the former rain moderately, and he will cause to come down for you the rain, the former rain, and the latter rain in the first month." (Joel 2: 20-23.)

This will result, according to Joel, in the full restoration of prosperity to His people, for they will then know that the Lord is among them. Never again will there be any need for His people to be ashamed for, as stated by Peter in Acts 3: 19, "The times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord."

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clash of cymbals by those who call themselves righteous. If the cries came from the Communists alone, no one would listen. But cleverly — oh, so cleverly — they add the voices of the fellow-travelers, of the ill-informed and of the egg-headed liberals. Many, far too many, of those who scream are but politicians seeking temporary glory, unmindful of the truth of the past, careless of the future, unworried about the destiny of our nation."

It is quite easy to understand why those responsible for this treasonable conniving heartily despise the Senator from Wisconsin. By his plainspoken language, their actions are brought out from behind the scenes of diplomatic intrigue where they may be viewed under the revealing searchlight of truth. This, in turn, throws the spotlight upon their sponsors, exposing them as men who, for personal and political gain, are willing to betray their country to the enemy. Men who will stand up and be counted on the side of truth and patriotism were never more needed.

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# Month By Month

THE FIRST THING a foreign visitor is asked when staying in Genoa is: "Have you seen the Campo Santo?", just as the first thing a tourist in Jerusalem is asked is: "Have you been to the Church of the Holy Sepulchre?" Both questions are hoary with tradition, but otherwise manifestly misleading since neither of them is properly symbolic of the places they are purported to represent.

While the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, from a tourist standpoint, may be said to be an authentic "sight," from an archaeological viewpoint, it is far from being a genuine site. Similarly, the Campo Santo, for all its treasures of sculptural art, is, in its role as Genoa's "Ghehenna," nothing more than an excrescence on an otherwise lovely place — a City of Palaces.

If we wish to discover the true atmosphere of towns and countries, we are well advised to abandon the beaten tracks worn by tourist guides. This is especially true of Palestine where the "feel" of the country is found most potently on its high hills and in its deep valleys; not so much in the sights and sounds of its native inhabitants as in the silences of its open spaces.

## *The Glorious Land*

Doubtless there are many readers of *DESTINY* who know the Holy Land and love it. It is to lovers of the Glorious Land, particularly, that we now address the following nostalgic questions.

Can you recall the scent of cedars, pines and junipers on Carmel? Did you see the place of Elijah's sacrifice, by the Brook Kishon, or climb the hills behind Nazareth to glimpse a view of the distant Mediterranean? (Our Lord must often have roamed these hills as a boy, and looked to the Great Sea which in pre-Christian times linked the kingdom of Egypt with the empires of Greece and Rome.)

Did you wander up the winding track which tortuously rises to the top of the Mount of Transfiguration which, true to the facts of spiritual experience, is uphill all the way? Have you seen the poppies flaming in the Plain of Esdraelon and found with amazement that they are the same as those which grow on the Cliffs of Dover and in Flanders fields?

Did you stand on the heights at Bethel and see the Judean hills carpeted with purple and scarlet anemones, more dazzlingly brilliant in their apparel than the radiant glory of King Solomon's regal robes? Have you watched, from the Mount of Olives, the roseate hue of early dawn diffuse the Jordan Valley from beyond the distant Moab Mountains, or viewed from Emmaus at eventide, the golden orb slowly sink silently below the rim of the silver sea?

Have you walked alone in the Temple Area in the cool of a summer morning or looked up at the stars shining brightly above the Garden Tomb on the night preceding Resurrection morning? Do you remember Ain Karem (birthplace of John the Baptist) nestling among its olive groves on the road to Jaffa and the orange-blossom-scented Plain of Sharon? Did you stand in the valley where Joshua saw the sun stand still or see the dark blue lupins thriving

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in the valley where Samson slew the Philistines, near his birthplace, Gaza.

If you have seen and known and loved these things, you will hardly view with favor the plans of Zionists to transform this land flowing with milk and honey into a hive of industry. If you are one who venerates the Holy Land, with its sacred associations, you will rightly resent the thought of the holy places becoming submerged by "dark satanic mills," or factories. Indeed, if the planners have their way in Palestine, it would be enough to make the saints weep tears of blood.

The world at large has little or no conception of what is happening; otherwise there would soon be a public outcry. Factories in Birmingham or Pittsburgh may be a necessary evil in the evolution of modern forms of world civilization. But is the Holy Land a proper place for factories? Is it even common sense to try and force an agricultural land the size of Wales to become an industrialized community when the country itself does not possess the natural resources necessary to form the basis for such a revolutionary transformation?

## *Birth of Israeli State*

In a remarkable series of press articles, Hugh Trevor-Roper makes a masterly analysis of all the factors which have led to the present situation which represents a crisis of fate for the newly-born Israeli state. Under the heading, "Searchlight on Israel," Trevor-Roper writes:

"In May 1948, a new state was born in the Middle East. With the legal termination of the British Mandate over Palestine, the Zionist General Council announced, with unconscious irony, that 'foreign rule' would no longer be tolerated in the country; the Jewish Agency in Jerusalem declared itself a Government; the neighboring Arab Powers sent their armies to crush the experiment; King Farouk of Egypt, that famous philatelist, issued a new series of stamps to celebrate his conquest of Palestine; and the army of Transjordan besieged Jerusalem.

"Then, profiting by a military stalemate, the slow machinery of the United Nations got to work. The new State of Israel, having survived by its own stamina, was confirmed in existence, its curious frontier guaranteed by Britain, France and America; the Arab Powers, unable to crush it by force, determined to strangle it by the slower process of boycott; and King Farouk it was who fell.

"The recent revolution in Egypt is one, but only one, of the consequences of the ferment set up in the Middle East, by the birth of Israel."

That the Zionist General Council should have referred to British sovereignty over the land of Palestine as "foreign rule" no longer to be tolerated is certainly ironical, but at the same time represents a strikingly literal fulfillment of the prophecy of Ezekiel, which foretells that "all the House of Israel, wholly, are they unto whom the inhabitants of Jerusalem have said, Get you far from the Lord, unto us is this land given in possession."

The impertinent conceit and colossal cheek of this pre-

sumptuous challenge probably boasts no rival in recorded history. It was lucky for the Zionists that the House of Israel were still blind to their identity at the time that the ultimatum was delivered or they would not have been able to get away with it. The Lion and Unicorn (of the Royal House of David), carved in stone over the entrance to Government House in Jerusalem, is clearly representative of "all the House of Israel wholly." But Britain and America remained blind to the true significance of what was taking place. Otherwise, indeed, the prophecy could never have been fulfilled. The day is coming when the Zionists will have cause to wish that it had not proved such an easy victory.

### *The Nameless Mountain*

Perhaps, a personal reminiscence may be appropriate here. The last time A. R. H. visited Government House in Jerusalem was during World War II, when Field Marshal Viscount Gort was High Commissioner. Asked whether or not the hill on which Government House stood had been given a name yet, Lord Gort replied that, although the hill was more or less equal in magnitude to both Mt. Scopus and the Mount of Olives, it still remained a nameless mountain.

Enquiries originally initiated in 1934 confirmed that the hill was known to the Arabs locally by an Arabic expression which, translated literally, means: "I am that I am." (The true significance of this will not be lost on those who are students of the Hebrew Scriptures.) Used colloquially, the expression is equivalent to the French "tête monté," meaning "swelled head," and is applied to the hill in the following sense: "He thinks he is just as important as the other hills around Jerusalem because he is just as big, but he is not really as important because he has no name." These are the exact words used by an Arab — who is an authority on local customs — when contributing to a solution of this enigma.

### *The Union Jack*

Whether we look at this as being an ironic commentary on the false pretensions of Zionist aspirations, or from the standpoint of its inner meaning, it is equally pertinent in significance. Government House (foreign government, according to the Zionists) was the first and only building ever erected on this hill and over its tower flew the Union Jack, representing the union of all the sons of Jacob in the Isles of the West; or, in other words, all the House of Israel wholly. (It was from these Isles of the West, the British Isles, that the people of Israel were destined to spread abroad to the uttermost parts of the earth, and this they have done in forming the United States of America and the British Commonwealth of Nations.)

Moreover, in its deeper, inner significance, the Union Jack, with its two major crosses — the aleph and tau — has been justly designated, in a symbolic sense, the Ensign of Jehovah, the Lord God of the Hebrews, whose name means "I AM THAT I AM" (Ex. 3: 14).

Taking all these facts and factors into consideration, it makes one think, does it not?

Let us now return to our study of Trevor-Roper's report in an attempt to understand the nature of this phenomenon. Thus he continues:

"How can we explain this convulsion of politics around so minuscule a state — a state smaller than Wales inserted in a

Moslem world which stretches from the Atlantic Ocean to India? The answer requires some historical preface, for Israel is not merely like the neighboring new state of Lebanon, a political readjustment. It is an invasion of a new culture in an old world.

### *A Dangerous Bridgehead*

"Armed with the new social doctrines and economic resources gathered together during their long dispersion in the West, Israel seems to the Arab world, not merely a small neighbor, but a dangerous bridgehead: the bridgehead of a foreign, exclusive, menacing, expanding civilization. Moreover, the Arabs have seen this coming for a long time."

Our expert continues by giving an analysis of the factors which have made the Zionist community "a society of paradoxes as bewildering to the new visitor as to the old inhabitants; a society unparalleled in the world, more collective than anything outside modern Communism, yet sustained by contributions from the greatest capitalist countries; a society cosmopolitan in its origins, yet nationalist, even racist, in its unifying tradition; a society modern in its technique, yet of heroic archaism in its language and religion; a society with a Western face, East European institutions, and an increasingly Levantine population."

### *The Zionist Religion*

Describing "the heroic age," or initial phase, in the Zionist experiment, which now shows signs of having spent its force, Trevor-Roper says:

"What an extraordinary phenomenon of our time is Zionism! It is one of the great human movements of the age. For two thousand years the Jews of the Dispersion, as they faced successive persecutions, had dreamed of a return to Israel. Now, suddenly, at the bidding of an Austrian Jew, Theodor Herzl, it became a movement, and the early colonists were its apostles.

"For Zionism, not Judaism, is (or was) the religion of the new Israel. Rabbis may declare that the Jewish religion must be fostered in Israel as the faith which, alone, has preserved the identity of the dispersed Jewish people; but in fact it was persecution, not Judaism, which brought the Jews together again when emancipation had begun to dissolve them, and it is Zionism, not Judaism, that has inspired their triumph.

"As one wanders through the squalid religious quarter of Jerusalem, or visits its decrepit synagogues, one easily sees that Judaism may exploit the appeal to tradition and of history, but it is not a faith that can move mountains. That Zionism is, or has been."

The series of articles entitled "Searchlight on Israel" concludes by giving the reasons for the decay of Zionism which now threatens the whole experiment. Thus the author avers:

"It is unrealistic to suppose that so small a power can maintain for long the heroic efforts which created it. All depends ultimately upon a sound economic basis. If that basis is not to be acquired by conquest (which is what the Arabs fear), it must be acquired by internal development or reorganization. To achieve it will require great effort. It will also require greater economic realism.

"I have described Israel as a new East European society, installed by colonization in a foreign country; a society which now supports upon its Russian social-democratic foundations the form of a Western parliamentary state.

"History suggests that a welfare state democracy is a luxury which only a prosperous nation can afford. The Zionist pioneers have created the Jewish nation in Israel. Another effort is needed before it can be called a prosperous or even a secure nation."

## Songs of Zion

Someone once said that the Scriptures prophesy a return to the land of Israel of those who enter the land "*singing songs of Zion*," but the immigrants from the Ghettos of Europe had entered the land singing the Red Flag. Many students have been puzzled at the change in the attitude of Soviet Russia, which originally sponsored the birth of the Israeli state, but now is supporting the Arab states against it. On this problem Trevor-Roper advances the following opinion:

"Israel is not like Russia; it is politically a free country. Israel may not like Russian Communism, but it does not believe in free capitalism. Between East and West it is a third force and its statesmen often see it as a neutral power, a mediator between Russia and the West, identified with neither.

"I have suggested that since Zionist Socialism and Russian Communism are irreconcilable rivals, there is little possibility of Israel becoming Communist or Russian-controlled. Indeed, the Russians, after a brief honeymoon period, seem now regularly to support the Arab Powers.

"To Israel the real danger is not Russia; it is a precarious frontier and the Arab at the gates. We should remember that the State of Israel was born in violence. So, in a social crisis, responsible rule may be replaced by violence again."

## Time Against Israelis

In a recent dispatch from Harry F. Kern, in Jerusalem, *Newsweek* gives the following appreciation of what the future holds for this explosive part of the world:

"In the judgment of most authorities, time is running against the Israelis. At present, their armed forces could defeat any Arab army except the British-backed Arab Legion. However, war between Israel and any other Arab state except Jordan would probably bring in the others and guarantee a long conflict. War with Jordan would automatically bring in Britain.

"Moreover, in a few years the Arab countries can be expected to improve their armies, possibly with U. S. aid on the Iraq pattern. Meanwhile, the Communists cultivate Arab sympathies with impressive success and with ends in mind that spell trouble for all concerned, the West, Israel and the Moslems themselves."

In a recent interview, Commander Elmo Hutchinson, American Chairman of the Mixed Armistice Commission in Jerusalem, declared: "*Things never looked grimmer since I took over this job two years ago*," to which J. L. Hays, describing the interview, tenders the following elaboration:

"Israelis and Jordanians, fiercely bitter about the recent raiding, are nearer the second round of their 1948 conflict — stilled by the United Nations Armistice — than ever before. And if war breaks out and the Israelis put their Flying Fortresses into the air, then R. A. F. jets, lining the newly-made runway just outside Amman, must go up to intercept them. British troops are here too, at Maan, and down at the Red Sea port of Akaba.

"During a 48-hour tour of the frontier, I did not meet a single officer, British or Arab, who does not believe that the recent Israeli raiding is part of an official aggressive policy. They claim that Israel's intention is to compel the Arab Legion commanders to spread their limited manpower over the widest possible front, so that Israel's forces can break through the thin crust in a full scale offensive."

## The Mediterranean Picture

Meanwhile, writing from Tel Aviv (a city built on sand,

which the local Jews have nicknamed "tell-a-bluff!"), James Cameron declares:

"Just five years ago the Armistice was signed that has become the Middle East's most tedious and conspicuous running sore. Let us say without equivocation that Israel and the Arabs are perilously near to the final break. In a paranoiac world of hell bombs and massive growling of heavyweight Powers, what possible matter can there be in a Levantine frontier row? But the insoluble quarrel of 1½ million Jews, beleaguered on four sides by 40 million hostile Arabs, seems irreducibly fixed in the Mediterranean picture.

"Throughout Israel a desperate temper has grown. Tel Aviv grows more strident, more crowded, more hideous with a sort of awful desperation because now Israelis know that Jewishness is not enough. Manifestly, the Big Powers are on the Arab side, they say.

"Israel, created by the United Nations, for so long its firm supporter, now swings against it in the vicious mood of a child who feels betrayed. Sometimes you feel that the historic burden on Jewry's back has changed to the vast chip on Jewry's shoulder."

Another press representative writes:

"Israel, the Middle East's newest-oldest community, is facing real danger today, from outside and from within. In the last five years' grotesque parody of truce, hundreds of Israelis have died and an equal number of Arabs. The State of Israel, hemmed in on four sides by nations which have openly announced their right to annihilate her, is reaching desperation at this moment.

"America is about to arm Iraq — Iraq bent on revenge and loudly swearing its purpose," said Prime Minister Moshe Sharett, 'and the requests of peace-loving Israel are ignored.' And Russia? Russia blocks Israel's requests for the Security Council to consider her case.

"Of this Israel is persuaded; the attitude of the Powers toward conciliating the oil-bearing Arabs is determined by long-range policy factors, and is in no way influenced by anything Israel can do.

## Farms are Forts

"The border settlements are now as much forts as farms, and Moshe Sharett's Government is under heavy pressure from the activist group who are now by far the majority of Israelis. The terrible thing is that they know that direct action will finally be fatal. Israel, which can barely survive as things are, would be ruined by war. Our only course is to retaliate while our army is still stronger than theirs, the activists say. Probably if a vote were taken today, the majority would approve. Such is the pitiful situation."

David Ben Gurion, the most powerful Jewish personality, now in retirement at Sdeh Boker, continues to exercise himself with violent polemics. "*Israel need not expect any Power to protect Israeli lives. We must get rid of the foolish illusion that any forces outside Israel will help us. Neither UN nor the Great Powers will save Israel. All the Powers act in their own interests.*"

These appeals are calculated to move the most stony hearts, and so they might if it were not for the fact that the Israelis are in wrongful possession of a vineyard which is not their own.

Meanwhile, the clamor from the Arab side of the frontier is equally uncompromising. Thus, speaking in a broadcast to mark the anniversary of the 1916 Arab Revolt led by his father, King Hussein called on his people now to accept their "*painful destiny*" and reaffirmed Arab refusal to recog-



nize Israel, since, "despite Arab bravery, our country has been partitioned and a strong race created in the Arab homeland."

On the same occasion, King Saud of Saudi Arabia vehemently proclaimed: "Israel is a cancer that must be cut out of the world."

### Drive to Suez

As if it were not enough to have the Lebanon, with Syria, Iraq, Jordan and Saudi Arabia, encircling their back door, the Israelis openly boast of making a push toward Egypt. Thus, Major General Moshe Dayan, Israel's Chief of Staff, declaims: "Israel's army of 250,000 men is preparing for eventual war against the Arabs, to liberate occupied parts of the fatherland, and drive to the Suez Canal. The ousting of Naguib is an historic opportunity. If Israel has to fight within two years, we must have modern weapons."

In view of the fact that Britain is consistently accused unjustly of fomenting the hatred of Arabs against the Jews, it was more than ironical to find Naguib indulging in tirade, harping on the opposite theme: "The enemy, the British, have mobilized their spoilt child, Israel, against us, and are now on the alert to find a gap in our ranks." The grounds for this astonishing assertion have no foundation in fact but rest upon rumors circulating as a result of fervent lobbying by the Israelis themselves, although as yet the plan envisaged has received no encouragement from official British sources. If it did do so, then indeed the fat would be in the fire!

Such is the latest "mutually-rewarding stroke," as a *News Chronicle* Middle East correspondent in Jerusalem divulges it, and when presented as if it were a British brainwave, it is certainly startling enough to cause consternation. Heralding the idea as the latest move in Anglo-Israeli policy-making, our authority soliloquizes as follows:

"Can British policy in the Middle East be linked with the emergence of Israel as a permanent Mediterranean Power? Our defense planners, knowing our days in the Suez Canal Zone must be considered numbered, and uneasily aware of new treaty disputes likely to center around our Iraqi air bases in a few months' time, are interested in Israel. British armor in the south, R. A. F. squadrons using the coastal airfields, and ships of the Royal Navy based on Haifa; these developments would dovetail neatly into our 'new look' defense of the Canal and oilfields. And Israeli leaders know this.

"From a confused and exciting picture, the only clear thing yet to emerge is the permanence of Israel as a Mediterranean Power, plus an Israeli people, tough, proud, impatient, provocative and self-centered to the edge of xenophobia in its complete disregard of other nations' commitments and responsibilities in the Middle East."

It certainly is an idea full of brilliant possibilities for the Israelis, who could by this means neatly pass over the burden for defending their state against the Arabs to the already taxed-out-of-existence British public.

### Armageddon Expected

It is devoutly to be hoped that our Defense Chiefs do not fall into this trap, more especially in view of the prophecy of Zechariah 12: 3, which clearly warns that "all that burden themselves with it [i.e., Jerusalem] shall be cut in pieces."

At the same time these prophetic pages (chapters 12 to 14 inclusive), now due for imminent fulfillment, indicate

that the Royal House of David is most intimately concerned in all that transpires there. So we may confidently anticipate seeing the Lion (of Judah) and Unicorn (of Ephraim-Israel), i.e., the Royal Coat of Arms of the Throne of David, restored again to their rightful place in Jerusalem. For the Land of Israel belongs to all the House of Israel wholly, not to the Jews.

In the meantime, Cyprus, Crete and Libya are all being developed as potential alternative bases to the Canal Zone. As Laurence Thompson cabled from Benghazi at the time of Queen Elizabeth's recent visit: "Nobody any longer says, 'If we leave Suez'. . . . When we have to leave Suez, Libya will prove one of several useful alternative bases for that Armageddon expected to take place on the historic Plain of Esdraelon."

### The Crisis Arena

The Editor of *Preview* sums up the situation strikingly when he maintains:

"While world attention is focussed on the H-bomb, the Geneva Conference and struggle in Indo-China, new developments in the Middle East are getting less publicity than they deserve. As always, the Middle East is a powder keg which may blow up at the most unexpected moment. Any explosion in Asia Minor is bound to have a tremendous effect on developments throughout the whole of Asia, Africa and Europe. Though the British Foreign Office is trying to play down Iraq's new policy of seeking union with Syria, the government of Dr. Jamali in Baghdad is going full speed ahead with its unification plans. Jamali has the support of the Americans who hope that a united Iraq-Syria would join the military Axis which has been established between Ankara and Karachi.

"In London, however, there are fears that an Iraqi-Syrian Union might restart the war against Israel in order to win popular support for unification. It would be difficult to sell the union idea to the Syrians or Iraqis by telling them that unification is necessary in defense against the Communist danger. It would be easy to win popular support by presenting union as the spearhead against Israel."

Events taking place and in course of development within the Crisis Arena of the Middle East represent an increasingly absorbing drama and the acts between the intervals are short. It is a mistake to imagine that the majority of Jews throughout the world are in favor of the Zionist experiment. This is far from being the case, as the book, *What Price Israel?*, by Alfred Lilienthal, confirms. Recently there has been a large scale exodus from the country so that during the first half of 1953 more Jews left the "homeland" than migrated to it.

All these things form a part of the warp and woof of prophecy fulfilled in the pages of modern history and, but for the hardness of men's hearts, there would be a happier tale to unfold. It is a matter of sorrowing heartache for all those who look upon the Holy Land as being the joy of the whole earth, that such things should be. But Zechariah's prevision portrays exactly the actual events now developing as the prelude to the return of the Lord of Hosts to Zion as the Mighty Deliverer. May that great climax quickly dawn.

*Special Note:* Lovers of the Holy Land may like to know that the Christmas 1953 number of the *Illustrated London News* contained four pages of color reproductions illustrating the flowers and fruits of the Holy Land. These were specially drawn by Winifred Walker, F. L. S., and are worthy of permanent preservation.

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# REVIEW of World Affairs

..... By KENNETH DE COURCY

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THE LATEST intelligence reports show a gradual shift of the Red Army towards the Middle and Far East. In the interests of secrecy, whole formations are never moved at the same time. Nevertheless, the movements of units have added up to a steady flow of troops and equipment to the Far and Middle Eastern areas. So far, the Air Force does not seem to have been involved.

The Red Navy has also taken part in this movement. During February alone, 20 of the most modern Soviet submarines left the Baltic for Soviet Asia and Red China. Some of them went round the Cape of Good Hope and some round South America. This, no doubt, explains American reports of submarines off the coasts of Brazil and Argentina. There is also a substantial amount of heavy military equipment on its way to Asia from a number of places in Western Russia.

The bulk of Russia's offensive striking power is now being removed from the West, but an impressive defensive force is left facing Europe, together with a sufficient air force for both interception and counteroffensive. Intelligence from Russia indicates that the Soviet Union anticipates at least major incidents in the Far East. Peking, which is far less H-bomb conscious than the Soviet Union, thinks that now is the time to strike in Southeast Asia. Moscow, however, which greatly fears the American H-bomb superiority, wishes to avert any situation in Asia which might lead to general war. It appears that Moscow is doubtful as to being able to restrain Red Chinese aggression, and the Russian strategy, therefore, is to take military precautions in the Far East in case she is compelled to enter a war there and to make military dispositions for the command of the Middle East.

At the same time, no effort will be spared to get European neutrality until at least the second year of an Asiatic war. By that time, according to Moscow's calculations, either the war in Asia will have been won by the Communists, in which case Europe could be dealt with; or America's H-bomb superiority will have been corrected.

Russia is building up enormous reserves of war material, including foodstuffs. It is probable that the recent sharp rises in the price of coffee are largely due to this. There have been substantial Russian purchases of coffee through Burmese, Indian and Tangier agents. None of it has been distributed to consumers. Other food reserves have reached record levels. Imports of many strategic raw materials are rising.

Since early March, Japanese Communist activities have been on the increase. Communist students at Kyushu University recently led a strike and there have been other

minor strikes and riots. The Communist Party has a hard core of about 100,000 members, of whom 70,000 are under thirty years of age. Most members are now recruited from the universities and trade unions. The active and convinced members are well organized on *quasi*-military lines and divided into two sections — intelligence and sabotage organizations.

Soviet Intelligence gets to know everything worth knowing, especially about American forces and the Japanese security units. The sabotage organizations are, perhaps, just as dangerous. According to Japanese security sources, these sabotage units would be sent into action in the event of: 1) Communist invasion; 2) American actions against Red China or the U.S.S.R.; and 3) A national emergency. The first step would be to attempt a general strike; then, railroad and bridges would be destroyed; next, power stations and radio services would be attacked. Specially trained units would try to make ports and port facilities useless. Arms and equipment are smuggled in from Red China, and many of the weapons are of U. S. origin, for which there is a sizable black market. The Communists have also had orders to do everything possible to infiltrate the new armed forces of Japan.

After nearly four months of negotiations in Peking, representatives of India and China signed an agreement on Tibet on April 29. Certain sections of the Indian Press loudly acclaimed this treaty as a great diplomatic success and yet another contributing factor towards the consolidation of Sino-Indian friendship. In actual fact, nothing could be further from the truth — as any official in the Ministry of External Affairs in New Delhi would confirm if his frank opinion were obtained. It is now nearly four years since Communist troops from China occupied Tibet, turning a deaf ear to all protests from India. Never in these four years has the prestige of India in Tibet sunk so low as today.

From the very beginning, Chinese Communists have thumbed their noses at India, and have even given the impression that Tibet was by no means the limit of their aggressive designs. They have sent spies into India in the guise of pilgrims — the notorious Ch'oundoky spies — and infiltrated with large numbers of propaganda agents into the tribal areas of Assam, which they claim as Chinese territory. They have harassed Indian pilgrims who, in large numbers, visit the sacred spots in the Himalayas each year. They have forced India to surrender many of the privileges she enjoyed in Indo-Tibetan relations. And, finally, they have now virtually browbeaten India into signing away what little advantage she had kept for herself in the matter of trade with Tibet. India has been forced —

for the first time — to accept the sovereignty of China in Tibet. The treaty throughout refers to Tibet as the "Tibet region of China." Previously, there had been a sort of tacit understanding that the question of sovereignty would be left open for some time, perhaps even for eventual settlement by Tibetans themselves.

Two of the six articles of the treaty deal with trade affairs. India has been forced to withdraw the escort of Indian troops which she has maintained at Gyantse for the last 50 years or more. This escort, one company strong, was intended for the protection of the trade route into India, and for the benefit of Indian and Tibetan traders alike. By removing these troops from the Gyantse and Yatung areas, not only has the prestige of India dropped considerably, but it is also certain that trade between the two countries will suffer. As though to drive home the insult, China has insisted that in reciprocity for the three trade agencies which India maintains in Tibet (at Gyantse, Yatung and Gartok) China should be allowed to open three such agencies in India on behalf of Tibet at Delhi, Calcutta and the border town of Kalimpong. Finally, as though to add insult to injury, the Chinese Communists have stipulated that all the wireless and telegraphic installations maintained by the Indian garrison in Gyantse and Yatung and all along the line of communication with India, should be handed over to China free of cost. India has agreed to this and has also agreed to sell "at a reasonable price" all the resthouses formerly maintained by her along the trade and pilgrim routes.

The terms of the treaty have been entirely one-sided, all the advantages having gone to Tibet. But even this could have been considered worthwhile had India obtained in Peking the one assurance she has sought from China — the assurance regarding Communist claims on Indian territory. The Chinese have consistently laid claim to Bhutan, Sikkim and certain tribal areas in Assam. Maps officially printed in Peking have been distributed by Chinese Communist agents in these areas, showing all these territories as belonging to China. India went to Peking fully resolved to settle this question across the conference table. When her delegates finally emerged from the conference hall after four months of negotiations, the Chinese were still inscrutably uncommitted on this issue.

The situation in Asia has become generally more critical. It is clear that big decisions have recently been taken in Peking. The next six months may see major developments which will indicate China's full intentions. Besides significant troop movements and a general stepping up of Chinese war industries at the expense of civilian production, railroad development has gone ahead fast. The Lanchow-Sinkiang rail link work has been speeded up and the completion date is expected to be six months ahead of schedule. There is now a direct Peking-Moscow express which makes the journey in a little less than seven days.

Ankara, having got over its elections, is once more turning its full attention to the foreign situation. The Turkish authorities are making a fresh and careful study of their problems.

It is expected in Ankara that the Soviet Union will ask for a conference on the Straits before the end of this year. A Soviet demand for a conference may immediately follow the Geneva Conference. It is noticed in Ankara that the Soviet Press is making considerable reference to the whole

question of the Straits. It is also expected that Russia will suggest the setting up of an advisory board of Black Sea Powers. The U.S.S.R. may not ask to be represented on it as such, but may leave Russian interests to be represented by constituent republics of the U.S.S.R. bordering the Black Sea. The recent transfer of the Crimea to the Ukrainian S.S.R. is interpreted in Ankara as a preparatory step. The effect of such a proposal would be that Russia would, in fact, have three votes on the board, through the Ukrainian, Russian and Georgian S.S.Rs. There would also, of course, be Roumanian and Bulgarian members, thus putting Turkey into an impossible position as the only non-Communist Power on the board. It is thought in Ankara that a new attempt to infiltrate into Turkey with Communist agents may coincide with Russia's raising of the Straits question.

Since the death of Madame Peron and Dr. Milton Eisenhower's visit to Argentina, President Peron has almost completely revised his international relationships. Although there is increased trade between Argentina and Russia, Peron is leaning distinctly towards friendship with the United States.

In the Argentine, many Communists have been eliminated from the trade unions. When the Argentine authorities learned about Communist plans for international maritime strikes, both union leaders and police swooped upon the Communists in the Maritime Workers' Union and forced many of them into less important jobs far away. This was followed by action against Communists in the oil industries, especially in the area of Comodoro Rivadavia. A number of other well-known Communists have been arrested and their offices put under surveillance.

The President's closest friends are worried about his health, although rumors which have become public are severely suppressed by the police. The fact is that Peron's health is not good, although he looks fit.

The fight between Malenkov and Khrushchev is growing more intense. While it is impossible to predict with certainty, it is now more likely to break into the open within the next few months. But this is no more than a possibility. Khrushchev has greatly gained influence in the Moscow Communist Party. Some of his most fanatical supporters have been put into key positions. Two people to watch are Kapitanov, now in control of the Moscow *Oblast* organization of the Communist Party, and Mrs. Fursteva, First Secretary of the Moscow City Committee. The fortunes of these two are barometers of Khrushchev's power.

The new Central Committee of the Communist Party — appointed in March — contains several men who formerly fell from power as Titoists. Closer relationships between Bulgaria and Yugoslavia are to be expected.

Pastor Niemoeller visited Prague early in April by invitation of the Comenius Faculty of Prague University. This is one of the most important organizations for Communist infiltration into Protestant Churches. It is reported that the Czech army has received some atomic artillery.

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# Red Desolation

By WILLIAM O. LAY, JR.

*The more  
thou searchest,  
the more  
thou shalt marvel*



May 26, 1954

**S**TUDY OF THE time-patterns underlying world developments is of immense value in pinpointing "weathervane" events and spotlighting global trends. Over and over again the chronological markings of a particular happening reveal to watchers the hidden beginnings of impending crises which do not become apparent to the public at large until months or years later.

Capture of Mukden by the Communists on October 31, 1948 was such an event. Falling as it did 2520 days after the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, the chronological evidence marked it as initiating a new phase of trial or tribulation for Britain and America in the Far East. In commenting upon this, it was stated at the time ("The Red Tide" in *DESTINY* for January 1949):

"The fall of Mukden represented a tremendous forward surge toward the Communist goal of dominating all Asia."

Within three months after the Reds took Mukden, Chiang Kai-shek's Nationalist government asked a cease-fire. Subsequently the American military evacuation of South Korea created a vacuum into which the Communists swooped on June 25, 1950. After three years of bloody warfare a truce was signed on July 27, 1953. But again time-factors stressed that the only result would be a rechanneling of Communist aggression. The article, "Tumult and Tribulation," in *DESTINY* for October 1953, declared:

"The direction new Communist campaigns will take has been amply foreshadowed by events. Indo-China, Burma and India are all to feel stepped-up pressure very soon. At the same time Russian subversive activities in Egypt, Iran and many other countries will set the global cauldron bubbling ever more furiously."

Now, several months after that was written, Communist armies have swept

to the very gates of Hanoi after wiping out the French bastion of Dien Bien Phu. Ever more swiftly the Soviet shadow was falling over Southeast Asia.

In the meantime, though, a 15 x 120 "Hour of Warning" interval extending from the fall of Mukden spotlighted another danger area. The period terminated on October 5, 1953 when Great Britain rushed troops to British Guiana to forestall a threatened Communist coup. Within months after this foreshadowing event, the peril of Communist penetration into the Western Hemisphere had swelled alarmingly. A shipment of Communist arms and munitions to Red-dominated Guatemala plunged both North and South America into an acute state of jitters.

The chronological data on the accompanying charts will provide many other examples of the harmony and continuity of events as the Divine pattern of judgment unfolds. In this supreme crisis of the ages, all peoples are to play a part. Each step in the unfolding process leads to the next, and the whole design is held into unity by Divine time-links.

Almost day-to-day incidents flared on the tense Arab-Israeli frontiers. On April 27 the Jews charged that proposed American military aid for Iraq was a menace to the Israeli state and a danger to Middle Eastern peace. The date was 1600 days (space or extent of judgment) after December 9, 1949 when the Jews proclaimed Jerusalem their capital (top of Chart I).



Also furthering the Divine plan for bringing all nations to judgment before Jerusalem was a grave policy rift which developed between Great Britain and the United States. The Washington Administration was striving to form an "Asian NATO" and organize united action to save Indo-China from the Communists. But on April 27 Prime Minister Churchill refused to send British troops to Indo-China and expressed his Government's hope that the Geneva Conference would arrange a cease-fire.

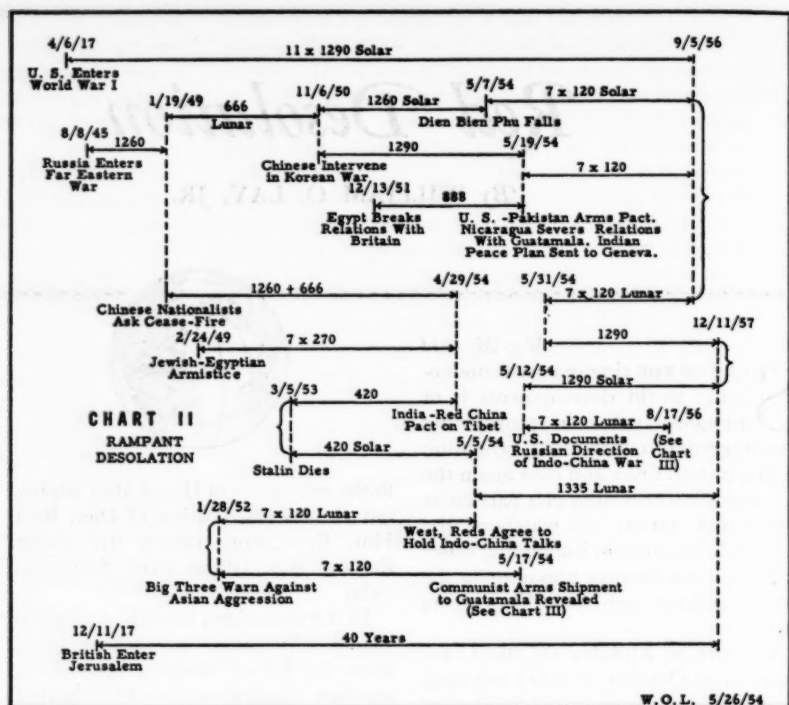
Russia deadlocked the Geneva Conference on April 28 by refusing to discuss Indo-Chinese peace unless the Vietminh Communists participated in the talks. On the same day Chinese Premier Chou En-lai demanded that the West get entirely out of Asia. And in Paris, France signed an agreement providing for Vietnam's full independence within the French Union. These developments came 1040 days lunar (fruition) after July 8, 1951 when Korean armistice talks opened (bottom of Chart I).

India and Red China on April 29 announced a pact formalizing Chinese sovereignty over Tibet. The date fell 1260 plus 666 days after January 19, 1949 when the Chinese Nationalists asked a cease-fire. The first time-factor signifies tribulation, while 666 — the number of human imperfection — marks activities of the enemies of God and His Kingdom.

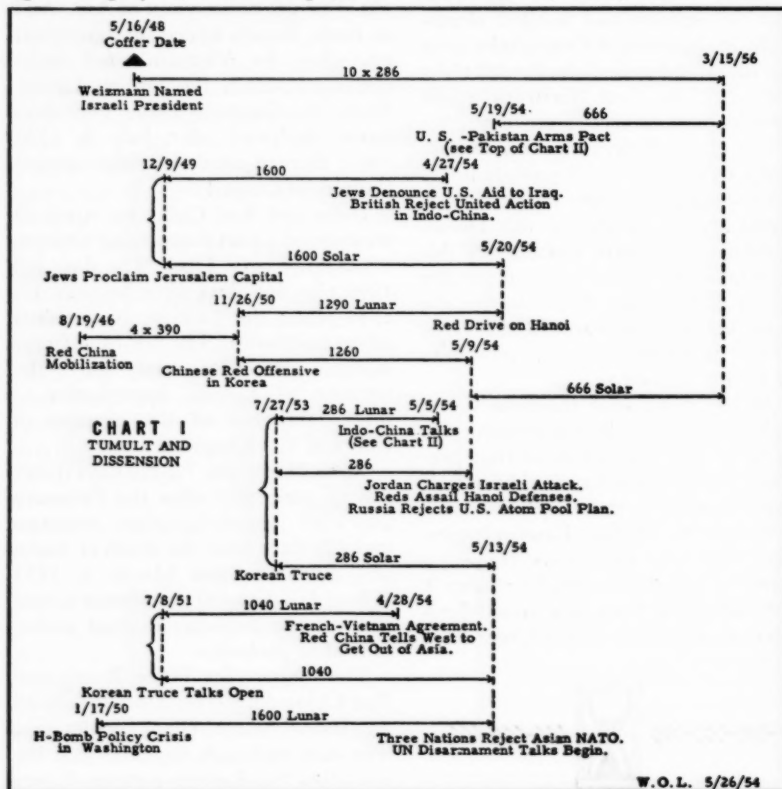
April 29 was also 7 x 270 days (birth travail perfected) after the February 24, 1949 Jewish-Egyptian armistice and 420 days after the death of Stalin was announced on March 5, 1953 (Chart II). The 420 time-factor is one-sixth of the 2520-day Biblical period of trial or probation.

The Western Big Three, Russia and Red China agreed on April 30 to hold an Indo-Chinese peace conference. The date strikingly dovetails into the unfolding Far Eastern pattern. It was

Agreements reached on May 5 set the stage for East-West discussions aimed at ending the war in Indo-China. The date was 7 x 120 days lunar after January 28, 1952 when the Big Three warned that Chinese Communist aggression against Indo-China, Thailand or Burma would bring instant United Nations retaliation. Equally significant is the fact that May 5 was 286 days lunar (displacement or human error) after the Korean truce was signed on July 27, 1953. The patterns



Note further (bottom of Chart II) that May 5 was 1335 days lunar before December 11, 1957, which closes a



An interval of 390 days (Israel's chastisement) extending forward from May 7 terminates on June 1, 1955, which will be 15 x 120 days after the United States entered the Korean war. And a solar 666-day interval separates May 7 from March 13, 1956. This outstanding terminal will be 10 x 286 days after the Zionist state was proclaimed on May 14, 1948 and also 1600 days solar after October 3, 1951 when Great Britain abandoned her Abadan refinery in Iran (lower half of Chart III). The retreats and reversals of Anglo-Saxondom, coupled with the advance of disruptive forces,

are slowly drawing all nations toward the great judgment-climax in Palestine.

Also on May 7, the Western Big Three rejected Russia's bid to join the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

Once Dien Bien Phu was overwhelmed, the Communists immediately stepped up pressure against Hanoi. On May 9 Vietminh forces captured two outposts in the Red River Delta. This was 1260 days after the Chinese Reds opened their massive Korean offensive on November 26, 1950. In addition, May 9 was 286 days after the Korean truce was signed (center of Chart I).

In the tense and tindery Middle East, Jordan charged that a band of 90 Israelis attacked the village of Illin and fired on a team of UN investigators. The incident came 666 days solar before March 15, 1956, which will be 10 x 286 days after the May 16, 1948 Great Pyramid coffer date. Upon that fateful milepost the setting up of the Zionist state was completed as Chaim Weizmann became its first president.

Meanwhile, American officials disclosed that Russia had finally rejected President Eisenhower's proposal for an international pool of atomic resources.

The Communists on May 10 presented an armistice plan for Indo-China which was, in the words of a French spokesman, patently designed to "set the stage for Vietminh to swallow all of Indo-China." The move came 4 x 390 days after January 31, 1950 when Russia recognized the Indo-Chinese rebels. In addition, May 10 was 7 x 120 days lunar after February 2, 1952 when Russia declared World War III already under way (not charted).

Military pressure against the Red River Delta area increased on May 12 as Red guerillas captured a French outpost only six miles from Hanoi. Meanwhile, the American Government released a document demonstrating that Russian strategists were directing the Vietminh campaigns in Indo-China.

Significantly, these developments fell precisely 1290 days solar before December 11, 1957, which closes a forty-year generation after the British entered Jerusalem in 1917. May 12 was also 7 x 120 days lunar before August 17, 1956, which will be 2520 days after Russia's first atomic explosion

was disclosed (center of Chart II and top of Chart III).

American plans for an anti-Communist defense alliance in Southeast Asia were severely jolted on May 13 when India, Indonesia and Burma refused to join the pact. Again an outstanding chronological pattern marks the date. It fell 1040 days (fruition) after Korean truce talks opened on July 8, 1951 and 286 days solar (displacement) after the Korean truce was signed on July 27, 1953 (bottom of Chart I).

Also on May 13, UN-sponsored disarmament talks among the five major atomic Powers opened in London. This was 1600 days lunar after the January 17, 1950 H-bomb policy crisis in the Washington Administration.

Labor riots in East Pakistan on May 15 cost the lives of over 300 persons. This portentous flare-up came 7 x 120 days after the January 26, 1952 anti-foreign riots in Egypt.

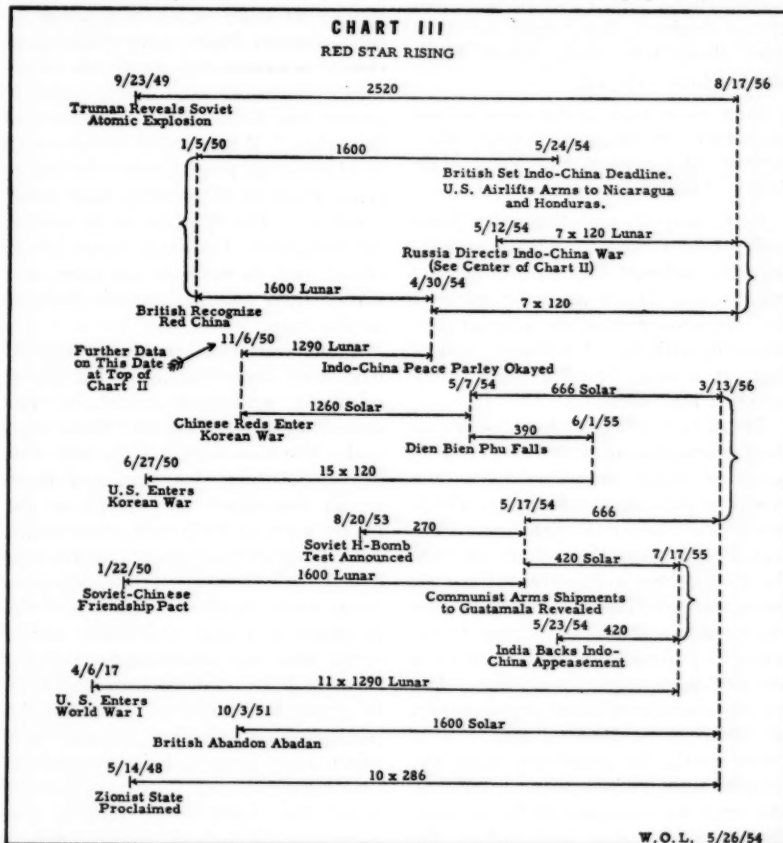
The State Department disclosed on May 17 that a large shipment of arms from "Soviet-controlled territory" had arrived in the Red-tinged Central American country of Guatemala. Thus

the threat of Kremlin-inspired armed aggression spread to the Western Hemisphere, and to the very doorstep of the Panama Canal, on a date precisely 1600 days lunar after the Soviet-Chinese treaty of friendship and alliance was announced on January 22, 1950 (near bottom of Chart III). Equally noteworthy is the fact that May 17 was 270 days (birth travail) after August 20, 1953 when Russia disclosed it had tested a hydrogen bomb.

May 17 was also 666 days before March 13, 1956 and 420 days solar before July 17, 1955, which will be the lunar terminal of 11 x 1290 days after America's entry into World War I (lower half of Chart III). Note especially the significant pattern unfolded by the two terminals of the 666 cycle measured back from March 13, 1956. The May 7 solar date highlighted Soviet aggression in the Far East, while the May 17 mean date underscored Russian penetration into Central America.

Other May 17 developments aggravated internal travail within the United States. The Supreme Court, in

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# The People Stood Beholding

**T**HERE WERE several representative groups in the great crowd of spectators which attended the crucifixion of Jesus Christ. There were strangers and pilgrims from all over the then-known world, together with the people of Jerusalem and the ecclesiastical rulers, scribes, Pharisees, priests who had hounded Jesus to His death, and by treachery and bribery had succeeded in apprehending Him. They were all present to exult over their fancied triumph. The acquaintances of Jesus, who had claimed to be His friends, were there. Luke records:

"All his acquaintance, and the women that followed him from Galilee, stood afar off, beholding these things." (Luke 23: 49.)

There is something pathetic about this statement. "They stood afar off," on the fringe of the crowd, vacillating, hesitating, with no indication of friendship for the Sufferer. Perhaps Peter, who had denied His Master, was among them, and Thomas, who had always doubted. But nearer the cross were those who truly loved Him. Here is John's record:

"Now there stood by the cross of Jesus his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Cleophas, and Mary Magdalene." (John 19: 25.)

John, himself, was there, for Jesus spoke to him from the cross, committing His beloved mother to the disciple's care. There were the soldiers, the representatives of the Roman government, with their Centurion, and of them it is said: "Sitting down, they watched Him there."

There is much food for thought in the contemplation of the various attitudes of mind represented by the crowd of onlookers at Calvary. Think first of the crowd at large! It was a big one. People were there from all over the then-known world. It was Passover time and pilgrims belonging to the Diaspora (as those to whom James refers as "the twelve tribes scattered abroad" were called) were there. The greater number of these people would be Hebrew by descent and among them would be proselytes from the peoples among whom they were living. We read, for example, of the stranger Greeks who came just before the

crucifixion with the request to the disciples: "Sirs, we would see Jesus." Doubtless they too were in the crowd.

Among these people there would be many who had accompanied Jesus on the trek from Jericho to Jerusalem and who had joined in the Palm Sunday plaudits as they tore down the branches of the Palm trees, laid their garments in the way and shouted "Hosanna, blessed be the King that cometh in the name of the Lord!" Then, too, in the great multitude gathered would be those who had stood outside the Judgment Hall of Pilate, and who made the fateful choice that sealed their fate and the fate of their nation.

Pilate, after his questioning of Jesus, had said: "I find no fault in Him." He had scourged Jesus and he had presented the victim of the people's hate to the crowd, saying: "Behold, the man!" They had responded with the hateful cry: "Crucify Him! Crucify Him!" In compliance with the customary practice to free a prisoner at the Passover, Pilate gave them their choice between the convicted malefactor, Barabbas, and Jesus, and the crowd had said: "Not this man, but Barabbas." When Pilate endeavored to disclaim all responsibility for delivering Jesus to them, they had again cried out: "His blood be on us and on our children!" They were there in the crowd and, as we shall see later, still vented their spleen upon the Sufferer on the cross.

There were Galileans in the crowd, who had been familiar with Jesus' ministry, who had acclaimed His preaching with the words: "Never man spake like this man." They had witnessed His miracles. Some of them would remember the raising of the widow's son at Nain and others might have been present when Lazarus was called back from the grave. Many of them were familiar with what the prophets had said and some would recall how the circumstances of the birth of Jesus at Bethlehem had been in direct fulfillment of "all that the prophets had spoken." Some, too, might have been at Jordan when He was baptized and they would have heard the voice from Heaven announcing: "This is my beloved Son in

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whom I am well pleased." Some of them had been carried away with the idea that Jesus would then and there set up an earthly Kingdom.

Here they were at the cross with their hopes shattered — a great, shepherdless crowd. Commenting on these things, Dr. Campbell Morgan says:

"That was Christ's picture of them, sheep having no shepherd. How perplexed, how disappointed many of them must have been that day . . . they had followed a leader, a deliverer, followed Him foolishly, it is true, not from high motive, and never able to thoroughly appreciate Him. Moved by the signs of His power, and drawn by the tenderness of His compassion, they had followed still, though imperfectly, and now the end of it is His crucifixion. They had hoped that 'it was He who should redeem Israel' and now he is nailed to the Roman, and the cursed, tree. Jesus had spoken of them as being without a shepherd, and many of them had come to hope that perhaps He was their Shepherd."

But, as Dr. Campbell Morgan goes on to say: "Oh, could they but see, He was, indeed, the good Shepherd." They could not understand that "in the mystery of that awful cross, He was laying down His life for them!" Later, perhaps, some of them would understand and become His true followers, but now all was perplexity. I suggest that the attitude depicted by the crowd might be well designated by the word *perplexity*.

Now, let us examine more closely some of the other representative groups that were there. There were the members of the Sanhedrin who, forgetful of the dignity of their office and the duty of leadership, could not restrain their spite against their helpless victim who, by His life and His death, had shown up the hypocrisy of their ministry and the shallowness of their characters. For a long time they had been losing their influence with the people. This Jesus of Nazareth — this prophet of Galilee — had attracted great crowds. Even their own officers, sent to apprehend Him, had come back, declaring: "Never man spake like this man!" Crafty Annas and

vacillating Caiaphas had determined that Jesus must be destroyed, so they had contrived to bribe His arrest and finally His sentence of death. Now their passions, which had been thoroughly aroused, compelled them to glut their eyes with the spectacle of their victim's sufferings.

As a well-known writer has said:

"Even after He was lifted up on the tree they could not keep their tongues off Him or give Him the dying man's privilege of peace, but losing all sense, all propriety, they made insulting gestures and poured on Him insulting cries. Naturally, the crowd followed their example until not only the soldiers took it up but even the thieves who were crucified with Him joined in, so that the crowd under His eyes became a sea of scorn, whose angry waves dashed up about His cross. And note the jibes which they hurled at Him! 'If thou be the Son of God, come down from the cross.' 'He saved others, Himself He cannot save.' 'If He be the King of Israel, let Him now come down from the cross and we will believe Him.' 'He trusted in God. Let Him deliver Him now if He will have Him, for He said I am the Son of God.' The thieves also, which were crucified with Him, cast the same in His teeth. (Matt. 27:40-44.) Note the Devil's 'if,' the favorite keyword of all temptation and the Devil's attempt to destroy men's souls. He used it in the Garden of Eden. He used it when he tempted Christ at the beginning of His ministry. He was using it again in the words of the chief priests and the scribes to undermine whatever faith there might have been among the crowd on Calvary. Yet, look at the tremendous truths enshrined in the mocking cries, 'He saved others, himself he cannot save.' How true this was. He could not save Himself, because He had come to take upon Himself the sin of the whole world and to give His life a ransom for many."

He could not save Himself because, if He had come down from the cross, God's supreme purpose and plan of redemption would have failed. It was not the nails that fastened Him to the cross that kept Him there. It was Love—the Love of God for man—the Love of Christ personified.

"God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." (John 3:16.)

"Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows: yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted. But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray;

we have turned every one to his own way; and the Lord hath laid on him the iniquity of us all." (Isa. 53:4-6.)

Little did the ecclesiastics, who so angrily uttered their mocking cries, realize the truth that they were, in spite of their anger, by their utterances, proclaiming the Gospel of Salvation. Little did they realize that, by the manner in which they had aroused the angry passions of the people by their false accusations, they had sealed the doom of their nation and sounded its death knell. This section of the crowd was representative of the attitude of *antipathy*.

There is another representative group consisting of those of whom the statement was made, "His acquaintance stood afar off"; and also that other still smaller group that stood near the cross. Among these acquaintances there were many who had been very close to Him. They were now standing afar off. When He was arrested, we read that these friends of his "all forsook Him and fled." Peter was even led into the sin of denying Him, crying out vehemently: "I know not the man," and embellishing his denial with oaths. There were those like the two men, who were afterward met by the risen Christ on the road to Emmaus, who had, indeed, had high hopes regarding His Messiahship. In fact they said to Him after His resurrection (before they knew who He was): "We trusted that it had been He which should have redeemed Israel."

True, He had plainly told them during His life that He must go the way of the cross and that He would, after three days, rise again. But to them His death on the cross was the end. They did not understand what the resurrection from the dead should mean. Their hopes of future influence in His Kingdom were being shattered before their eyes. Once the mother of some of these acquaintances had requested that her two sons might sit beside their King, the one on the right hand and the other on the left of their Lord when He came into His Kingdom. Now where was His Kingdom?

Over His head, as He hung on the cross, the superscription was written in derision by Pilate: "Jesus of Nazareth, King of the Jews." But the cross did not lead, so they thought, to Kingship. So they stood on the fringe of the crowd, fearful of being recognized, their faith gradually slipping away from them. But, nearer the cross stood

His mother and the disciple whom He loved, and Mary Magdalene, and Mary, the wife of Cleophas. Mary, His mother, had been told concerning her Son:

"He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David: And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end." (Luke 1:32-33.)

Simeon had told her too:

"This child is set for the fall and rising again of many in Israel; and for a sign which shall be spoken against; (Yea, a sword shall pierce through thy own soul also,) that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed." (Luke 2:34-35.)

How that sword was piercing now! Her son, the child of a miracle birth, He who had said and done so many things which she had pondered in her heart, was brought to an ignominious death. This group represented *sympathy*.

Then, right beneath the cross, were the soldiers, the executioners, of whom it was said: "Sitting down they watched Him there." They were absolutely indifferent to what was going on. They were the hired executioners; they had performed their job. They might, perhaps, have noted without realization the difference in the attitude of the man hanging on the central cross. He had not struggled; He had not said a word. He hung there in the sight of the multitude, and the first words He uttered were a prayer: "Father, forgive them for they know not what they do." In this prayer, although they didn't know it, the soldiers, His executioners, were included, but they didn't understand. True, they unconsciously fulfilled prophecy, for "they cast lots" for the only possessions He had to leave—His garments. So the soldiers represented *apathy, indifference*.

Now the question we must ask ourselves is, Where do we stand today? For the cross still has its message; it is an everlasting message and should have the greatest possible effect upon us. It is the cross of tragedy and the cross of victory and triumph. It is no longer occupied. We do not venerate a dead figure upon a cross nowadays. That would be idolatry. The cross is forever empty and is the symbol of victory, of the triumph of good over evil. It is the standard that we must ever bear before us as we prepare to

meet the Victorious Christ who is returning, not to occupy the cross, but to wear the crown!

The peoples of today can still be divided into the various groups and categories represented at Calvary. There are still the perplexed, "blown about by every wind of doctrine that bloweth," running hither and yon to find something that will give them some kind of temporary satisfaction, but will never bring them back to the faith of their fathers. There are still the antipathics who deny Christ and are endeavoring to destroy Christianity. Inspired by the Devil who promotes doubts, they are affecting the faith of many who should be true believers but who, because they have lost the faith (if, indeed, they ever had it) are now absolutely opposed to the things for which Christ and Christianity stand.

Then there are those who "stand afar off," who are still followers, who have been disciples, but whose love has grown weak, who have not realized that there can be no service without sacrifice and there can be no sacrifice without love. They want a religion drenched with sentiment and devoid of sacrifice, so they stand afar off. Finally we have the other group close to the cross, drawn there by love, by sorrow, by sympathy. They are represented today by those who are buoyed up by the blessed hope of His appearing and who are remaining true to "the faith once delivered to the saints."

There you have them: the apathetic, the antipathics, and the sympathetic. Where do we stand? It is a tremendous question you know. It will have to be answered.

In the course of my reading this week, I came across, once again, a statement in John's Gospel that seems to me to be of tremendous importance to the majority of us today. You will find it in the 18th chapter of John. In the account which he gives of the trial of Jesus before the Jewish Sanhedrin, under the Chairmanship of the High Priest, Caiaphas, Jesus stood alone there with no friends near Him. Out in the courtyard there was a chattering crowd oblivious to what was going on inside and intent only upon warming themselves at the fire they had kindled. Among them was Peter, the man who had made so many protestations of loyalty to His Master and who was very shortly to deny any knowledge of Him. The

High Priest had questioned Jesus on many things, and he had received no answer, and the High Priest was nonplussed. How could he find some loophole by which he could incriminate his prisoner? Perhaps Annas, who had been High Priest and still exercised the greatest authority over Caiaphas, whispered in his ear: "Ask Him." So we read:

"The high priest then asked Jesus of his disciples, and of his doctrine." (John 18: 19.)

Where were His friends? Had He no one to stand beside Him? He had had a company with Him and they had evidently sworn the closest allegiance to Him. Where were they now? Then perhaps the High Priest caught sight of Peter away off in the courtyard. Surely this Jesus, if He had been doing what was claimed of Him, and was indeed what He claimed to be, would have some friends!

Where were they? Nobody there to testify on His behalf? Can't you see the cunning of the questioner and the artfulness of the question? He was fastening upon what seemed to be the weak spot in Jesus' case. The disciples had forsaken Him and fled. Where was the evidence that He had been building up a body of devoted followers? Was He really, after all, the man He claimed to be if He could not produce a single follower to stake his life upon His mission and purpose? It is a crafty point, is it not? And how it applies today!

A well-known Scottish Divine made this statement:

"Wise words and good deeds and moral reformation are all very well, but the acid test is in the kind of men a religion makes. Annas and Caiaphas and Pilate can find no fault in Jesus Himself, but He is vulnerable in the persons of His Disciples."

Our writer goes on to say:

"The hostile world has always shown an unflinching aptitude for fastening on too vulnerable a spot in the scheme of Jesus. Of course it is grossly unfair; the man Christ Jesus should be judged on His own merits. It really has nothing to do with the case that now and then an official, standing high in the Church, absconds and that even the best of His professing disciples are most terrible giveaways of Christianity, but there are those who do today exactly what the High Priest did. They can find no fault in Christ Himself, but they can find fault with His disciples, and how they gloat when they find one of these followers going astray. 'There is your professing

Church member,' they exclaim with unholy glee, gloating over the fall of some too self-confident disciple. 'If that is all your Christ can show in the way of disciples, I do not want to have anything to do with the Church.'"

It is all absolutely unfair and unreasonable, but it exists, so we ask ourselves again, Where do we stand? And we afar off from the cross? Our writer puts it this way:

"The night is dark and it is cold, very cold. Christ and all He stands for and has come to bring into the world are on trial and the world of ordinary men will light such fires as they can to protect themselves against the chill night air. Being a gregarious animal, man and man still gather about the common fire."

The High Priest, therefore, asked Jesus of His disciples and once again we quote from our writer:

"The unfriendly world cannot be altogether blamed if it expresses at least some mild surprise that in an hour when vital religious issues are at stake, the Christian disciple should be practically indistinguishable from those who have no interest whatsoever in the matter."

Surely we can see how all this applies to us? Our world today is in chaos. Our civilization is crumbling and on the verge of collapse, but who cares? Remember, it is nominally a Christian civilization and it is supposed to be representative of the principles of Jesus. But the exponents of Christianity are lukewarm, neither cold nor hot. They stand afar off. They are not near the cross. They do not realize that the cross is to be replaced by the crown and that, if the cross is not borne, no crown can be worn.

So much is going to depend upon the disciples and we are today in a far better position and thus more blameworthy than the first disciples were. They had not experienced the fact of the resurrection. True, their Master had told them of it. He had warned them that He must be crucified, die and be buried, and that on the third day He would rise again from the dead. But they did not understand and they could not believe.

With us it is different. We know the fact of the resurrection of Jesus Christ; we glory in its triumph. We ought to know that it is the absolute sign of the certainty of the remaining item yet to be fulfilled in the great purpose of God. We ought to know by the fact of the resurrection that Jesus is coming again, triumphant, King of kings,



Lord of lords, the only Ruler of princes.

But we are in the great apostasy. Let us shake ourselves clear. The world needs to know of our presence, our courage, our fortitude, our determination to stand by the Crucified and Resurrected One, and to fight for what He stands for. The world must

know and the world will know if and when we are prepared to recognize whose we are by our profession, and to remember that we have a great responsibility according to the selection of race and according to the election of grace. As Paul declares: "If we are Christ's, then are we Abraham's

seed and heirs according to the promise." What inheritors we are and what a promise we have! So let us get back to militant Christianity. Let us, by our militancy, be recognized as on the side of Christ. The cry is still sounding, "Who is on the Lord's side — who will serve the King?"

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an historic decision, ruled racial segregation in the public schools unconstitutional. Regardless of its merits or demerits, the decision roused bitter and implacable opposition in many southern states at the very time when national unity is essential to meet the Communist threat.

Also in Washington, where Senators were probing the Stevens-McCarthy controversy, President Eisenhower barred Army witnesses from testifying about the part played at the outset by White House aides and other high officials. The Presidential order prevented investigators from determining to what extent the Administration itself was implicated in originating the viciously exaggerated Stevens-Adams "Bill of Particulars" which brought the vital work of Senator McCarthy's Permanent Investigations subcommittee to a complete standstill.

The European Army plan received yet another setback on May 18 when the French failed to set a date for National Assembly debate on the EDC treaty. This was 1600 plus 270 days after the Atlantic Pact was signed on April 4, 1949 (not charted). This appropriate combination of time-factors stresses once again that Britain and America must suffer judgment and travail for relying upon alliances instead of upon God.

The United States on May 19 signed a one-year mutual defense pact under which it agreed to help equip and train the armed forces of Pakistan. Meanwhile, Indian Prime Minister Nehru rushed a special envoy to the deadlocked Geneva Conference with a "compromise" solution for ending the Indo-Chinese war. And in tense Central America, Nicaragua severed diplomatic relations with Guatemala.

These widespread manifestations of global desolation came 1290 days after Red China intervened in the Korean war. They also fell 7 x 120 days before September 5, 1956, which will be 11 x 1290 days solar after America's entry into World War I (top of Chart II).

Likewise noteworthy is the 888-day interval (Divine intermediation) separating the Nicaragua-Guatemala break from December 13, 1951 when Egypt severed diplomatic relations with Great Britain.

The May 19 U. S.-Pakistan pact also came 666 days before March 15, 1956, which will be 10 x 286 days after the May 16, 1948 Great Pyramid coffer date (top of Chart I).

Near-panic swept Hanoi on May 20 as Vietminh spearheads probed closer to the city. The date was 1290 days lunar after the November 26, 1950 Chinese Red offensive in Korea (near top of Chart I). It also fell on the solar terminal of 1600 days after the Jews proclaimed Jerusalem their capital in December 1949.

Reports from Geneva on May 23 told of a new appeasement proposal, offered by India, under the provisions of which Indo-China would be partitioned between the Communist and free worlds. The date was 420 days before July 17, 1955, which will be 11 x 1290 days lunar after the United States entered World War I (bottom of Chart III).

Following a special meeting of the British Cabinet, Foreign Secretary Eden returned to Geneva on May 24 and warned Communist representatives that there must be definite progress on an Indo-China settlement within two weeks or Britain would join the United States in some form of united action in Southeast Asia. This was precisely 1600 days (judgment) after January 5, 1950 when British recognition of Red China gravely impaired Anglo-American unity and hastened the onswEEP of Far Eastern disintegration (top of Chart III).

In Washington, the State Department confirmed that the United States was airlifting arms and munitions to Honduras and Nicaragua. Even as the announcement was made, rumors persisted that additional shipments of Communist arms were *en route* to

Guatemala.

The desolation motif again predominated on May 31, a date 1290 days before December 11, 1957 (center of Chart II). In Geneva, the United States and Russia submitted rival proposals for an international control commission to supervise any armistice concluded in Indo-China. This came as French sources reported that the United States might soon airlift three battalions of French troops from North Africa to the fighting fronts in Indo-China. But North Africa was also a trouble-spot. The Tunisian government announced that it was moving Algerian reinforcements and five squadrons of mobile guards into Tunisia to combat a rising wave of terrorism.

Unmistakable now is the vanguard turbulence of the titanic storm that is to rock Anglo-Saxon civilization in the months immediately ahead. Ever more inexorably the shadow will fall upon leaders and people who have drifted from crisis to crisis without undertaking spiritual reorientation or seeking the heaven-ordained way of escape.

No half-hearted "turning to God" will suffice. The compulsion of events will be removed only when errant Israel, rid of pride and perverseness, allows the will of their Eternal King to order all aspects of mundane life. It is to accomplish this supreme transformation in outlook that the vast fearsome forces have been loosed and the course of all-encompassing tribulation ordained:

"And I will put my spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes, and ye shall keep my judgments, and do them." (Ez. 36: 27.)

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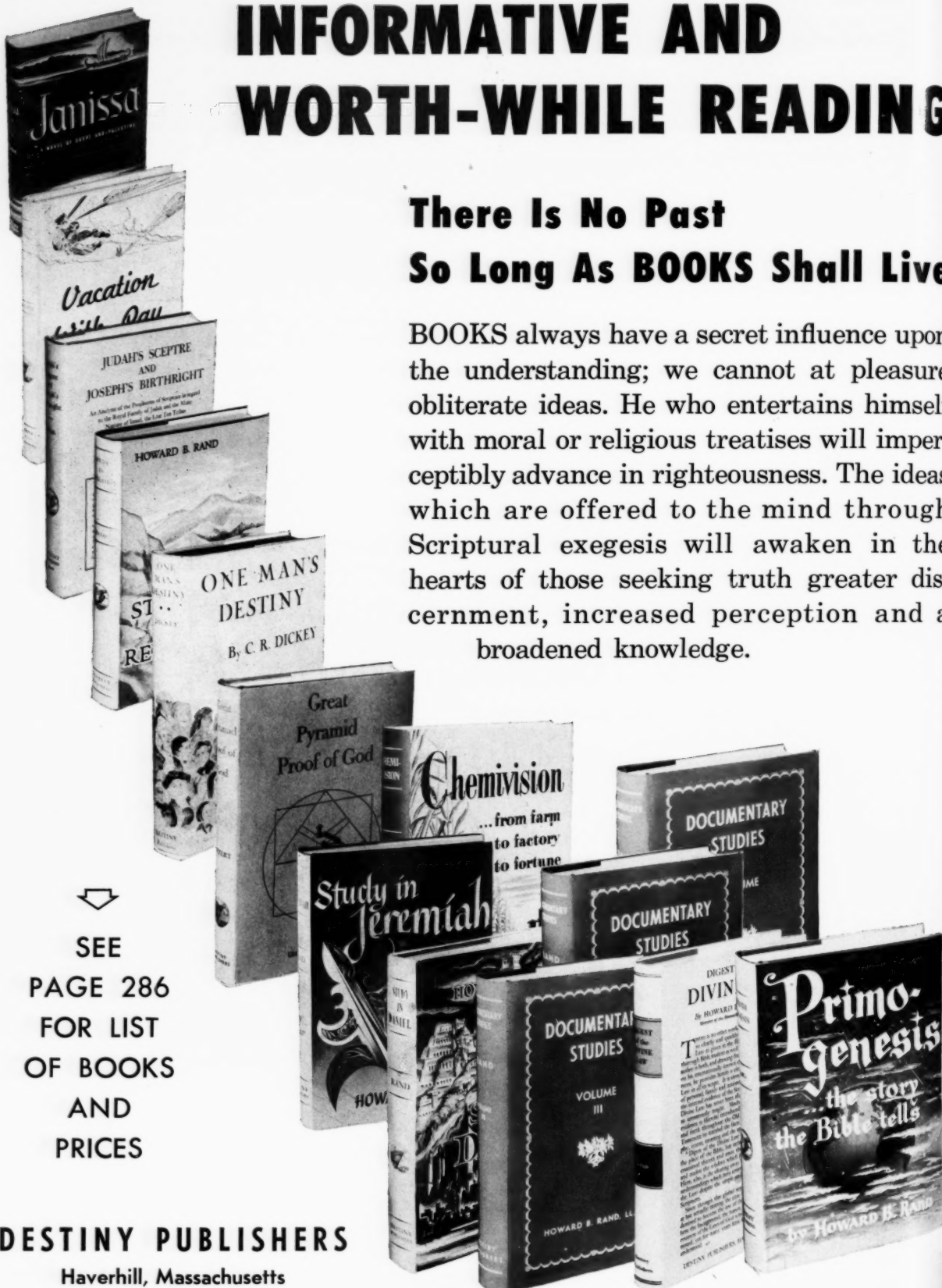
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